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Overwhelming Confidence Vote Given Churchill

Prime Minister Declares "We Have No Need to Fear Tempest; Let It Rage.... We Shall Come Through"

London, May 8.

"I CANNOT conceive anyone who can doubt victory will crown the great cause we serve. We do not need to fear the tempest. Let it roar, let it rage. We shall come through."

Thus declared Mr. Winston Churchill in a fighting speech lasting 82 minutes in the House of Commons last night, at the end of which he was given a vote of confidence by the overwhelming margin of 447 votes to three.

Amid loud cheers the Prime Minister told the House that "we intend the defend to the death, without thought of retirement, Crete and Tobruk. Let there be no featherheaded or defeatist talk about cutting our losses in the Middle East."

He revealed that Gen. Wavell's army now numbered nearly half a million men, and said that "the loss of our position in the Mediterranean and the Nile Valley would be among the heaviest blows we could sustain. We are determined to fight for them, and we have every reason to believe we should be successful."

It was a mistake to say that the Battle of the Atlantic was won, Mr. Churchill continued. "We have met with heavy losses. We can probably maintain our minimum essential traffic for 1941. In 1942 we must look for an immense construction of United States ships. With our own production, this should see us through 1942. It may be that 1943, if we have to endure it as a year of war, will be easier."

"We need a great deal more help from the United States," the Prime Minister added, "and I expect that we shall get it."

War Debate Resumed

The resumption of the debate in the House of Commons on the Government's motion of confidence, which terminated with the overwhelming passage of the motion by a majority of 447 votes to 3, was initiated by Mr. Lloyd George with a spirited speech.

"With the first part of the resolution (expressing confidence in the Government) everyone agrees", Mr. Lloyd George stated, "but there are parts of the Government's war administration about which there is disappointment and dissatisfaction."

Mr. Lloyd George asked why Mr. Eden, while talking about the loyalty of Turkey, withheld the fact that Turkey had allowed German ships to pass through the Bosphorus into the Dardanelles to seize a Greek island.

Information Wanted

Appealing for more information, Mr. Lloyd George said:" We are not an infantile nation to withhold unpleasant facts from. This nation has faced far too many crises and defeats in the past to be frightened by anything that has happened up to the present."

Mr. Lloyd George thanked God for Col. Stimson's speech, which showed that America realized the gravity of the situation, but it was most important "not to exaggerate what you are going to get, or rather, how quickly you are going to get it."

"In the last war, America put her fleet into the Atlantic, while Japan guaranteed the Pacific. If America is going to enable us to catch up and then overtake Germany, she has got to do infinitely more than anything I have heard of up to the present."

He urged the Prime Minister to reconsider the whole distribution of man-power, and have a real war council of three or four men, who should have nothing to do but study problems and give the Prime Minister their mature advice.

Long War Inevitable

Winding up the two-day debate in the House of Commons on the Government's motion of confidence, Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, told the Members that they must expect this war to go on for a very long time.

Pointing out that General Sir Archibald Wavell had nearly half a million men under his command, the Prime Minister emphasized that the loss of the British position in the Mediterranean and Nile valley would be a very severe blow. Britain was determined to fight for them, and he had every reason to believe that the outcome would be successful.

The enemy was at present superior in armoured vehicles in the Western Desert, but the air forces were about equal. Britain intends to defend her positions to the death, and there would be no thought of retirement from Crete or Tobruk. "Let there be no featherheaded or defeatist talk about cutting our losses in the Middle East," the Prime Minister said.

Situation in Iraq

"The British forces in Iraq are being continually reinforced from India, and yesterday the besieged

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John Bull Defies The Enemy

Churchill at His Best, Says N. Y. "Times"; Easy To Understand Confidence

New York, May 8.

"The speed-up in the United States war effort is a new factor in the war situation. That is why John Bull defies the enemy with renewed courage and Churchill is willing to wager his head on winning," writes the New York "Times."

The newspaper adds: "He was at his best in Wednesday's speech and that best was so good that it was easy to understand why Britain stands solidly behind him and why Hitler gnashed with fury against an antagonist, who combines the spring and tenacity of a bulldog wih the sting and flash of a rapier."—Reuter.

"The Times" Comments

London, May 8.

Commenting on the House of Commons war conduct debate, "The Times" writes: "The course of the debate showed a widespread desire to pursue more searchingly those broader issues which Mr. Eden had scarcely touched.

"The crucial issue is armaments. Only by the utmost energy can we bridge the gap until the full flow of American assistance assures us of the ultimate superiority which will more than match that with which our enemies began the war."

Commenting on Mr. Eden's reference to the Turkish and Egyptian offers of mediation in Iraq, "The Times" says: The Arabs everywhere know that collaboration with them is, and must remain the cornerstone of British policy throughout the Middle East.

"When the activities of Rashid Ali have been brought to an end, there will be no obstacle to the return to those friendly relations with the Iraqi people on the basis of the Anglo-Iraqi treaty, which need never have been interrupted.

Commenting on the broadcast by Col. Stimson, the "Daily Telegraph" says, "Words so spoken must have almost the effect of acts. They palpably create a new situation. The Totalitarian powers have counted on their ability to keep American munitions from crossing the Atlantic to this country. They must now review their calculation."—Reuter.

Gen. Smuts Reiterates Faith in Victory

Johannesburg, May 8.

Addressing the personnel of a "war train" which had demonstrated South Africa's war effort to the public during a tour of the Union, Gen. Jan. Smuts, Prime Minister, reiterated his complete faith in final victory.

America was roused, he said, as it never had been roused before and he regarded it as certain that before long the United States would be 100 per cent. in the war. With her pulling her full weight with the British Commonwealth the end was certain.—Reuter.

U.S. Planning Strategic Storage of Supplies

Washington, May 8.

Congressional sources yesterday disclosed to the United Press that a plan is underway to stock reserve food supplies in oil strategic offshore United States areas, notably Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Philippines and possibly Alaska.

The plan, it was learned, is being worked out by national defense officials under direction of the office of price Administration and civilian supply headed by Mr. Leon Henderson.—United Press.

Record Number Of Nazi Craft Shot Down

Night Fighters Get 23 German Planes

London, May 8.

With their "mechanical eyes" sharpened by bright moonlight, British fighters last night and early this morning pounced on German bombers and shot down twenty-three while anti-aircraft fire brought down another for a new record destruction of German Nazi bombers in a single night, official reports revealed today.

The record bag tonight exceeded by four the mark set last Saturday night when many German bombers were destroyed.

Although the Germans hurled between 300 and 400 planes against Britain last night, the fact that they lost more than five per cent. of their bombers and between 80 and 100 aviation personnel caused Air Ministry officials jubilantly to point out that such a percentage could wear out the Luftwaffe's *moral* if the R.A.F. could maintain such an average.

May Be Even More

The new record may even be more when all reports will have been received from British night fighters which, no doubt, patrolled over German aerodromes in northern France, authorized sources added.

German activity was on a heavy scale and scattered over wide areas in the British Isles. Merseyside was bombed for the seventh successive night, with Liverpool again bearing the brunt of attacks.

Sharp attacks also were made on the Humber district, towns in the northeast and the Bristol Channel area, where the damage done was extensive.

Taking advantage of the brilliant, near-full moon, between 300 and 400 German planes swarmed over Britain but were met by the most determined opposition from night fighters they had yet known.

While Air Ministry officials stated that such a record bag as that achieved during the night could unnerve the Luftwaffe if the British fighters could maintain this standard, they admitted that the success was gained under almost perfect conditions and with the moon almost full.

Although fighters' instruments for detecting raiders at night are being improved constantly, there is still no reason to believe that successes as that of last night could be maintained when the moon wanes after Sunday and the pilots will be forced to rely almost solely on their "mechanical eyes."

The Luftwaffe suffered losses in personnel during the night amounting to between 80 and 100 men, but the number of captured, killed or wounded Germans probably will not be revealed, Air Ministry officials said.

Air Circles Cheered

British air circles especially were cheered and pointed out that the German losses last night far exceeded any British bomber losses in a single night in operations over the continent. They indicated that the R.A.F. was progressing in night fighting well ahead of the Germans.

Specific reports of damage in the Merseyside's northwest area and the Humber district were not available, but in the Bristol Channel area industrial premises were damaged by the rain of high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Several small fires were started, but were soon extinguished.

Several were feared killed and others trapped under the debris of homes and buildings in the Bristol Channel area.

Procedure Reversed

In some cases the Germans failed to follow their usual procedure and first showered explosives and then incendiary bombs.

A church, schools and a brewery were damaged by fire in the Bristol Channel area.

The attack on northeast England lasted for several hours and the damage was considerable.

The Air and Home Security Ministries admitted that the damage on the whole was extensive and that casualties would be heavy.

Bombs also were dropped on places in East Anglia and southwest England as well as several points elsewhere, causing but few casualties, although several bombs caused serious damage, the official communique said.—United Press.

Bitter Pill for Goering

London, May 8.

German self-congratulation at the result of last night's air-raids on Britain must be seasoned with some bitterness, Goering (Nazi air force chief) will not relish the official reports of the return of his depleted air armada which left at least 23 bombers wrecked in Britain.

During the past seven nights it has lost no fewer than 73 bombers, and all the members of their crews.

But messages from Reuter's staff reporters in all the districts raided show that this fact is sustaining the bombed population, who are heard expressing grim satisfaction that the raiders have also suffered. For the damage to British towns last night was severe; many families are bereaved.

Telephoning from a town in the Humber district, one Reuter's reporter said this morning: "If the raid had been planned to wipe out the leading shops of the city it could not have been more successful."—Reuter.

After Nazi Raid on Clydeside

Two blasted, double-decker trams occupy the centre of this scene of desolation and ruin in a part of the Clydeside area (probably Glasgow) that took the brunt of a recent German raid. The Germans announced that the raid on Glasgow was even more intense than the previous one on Coventry, but the shipyards never stopped functioning. This photograph was radioed to New York from Glasgow. Since then Clydeside has undergone more severe Nazi raids in common with Liverpool, Belfast, Plymouth, and other ports.

Early Settlement of Trouble In Iraq Now Foreseen

Face-Saving Formula for Raschid Ali Required; British Military Position Much Improved

Ankara, May 8.

THERE is a general feeling here that the prospects of settling the dispute between Britain and Iraq are improving. The Iraqi Minister of Defence is due to arrive here today. Turkish circles express approval that a man of his importance should have been chosen for the mission and consider this despatch as a good omen.

Circles in close touch with Iraqis also appear to be more optimistic today about the possibilities of a settlement, some even going so far as to say the whole matter can be arranged provided some face-saving formula can be found for Raschid Ali, leader of the insurrectionist government of Iraq.

Turkey, Iran and Afghanistan are all anxious to see the dispute settled, while the weakness of Raschid Ali's position is seen in the Iraqi high command order instructing the troops to economize in ammunition, which "cannot be replaced."—Reuter.

At Half-Cock

Cairo, May 8.

While the Iraqi Premier's appeals for Axis help remain unanswered, the latest reports place events in Iraq in a clearer perspective—that of a military coup which has gone off at half-cock.

There have been no large-scale operations in Iraq but only a minor expedition, according to military circles in Cairo, who add it is now clear that part of the Iraqi army is behind Sayid Rashid Ali el Gailani (the Premier), who has not gathered the support he had anticipated.

Nevertheless, Axis propaganda in Iraq has been strong for a number of years and it may take some time to liquidate the affair.

British armoured units, troops and Iraq levies operating from Habbaniyah ejected Iraq rebels on Tuesday from the positions overlooking the cantonment, according to a communique issued here.

The Royal Air Force is continuously attacking the rebel lines and during the engagement on Tuesday rendered continuous close support bombing and machine-gunning the enemy and subsequently keeping them on the move during their withdrawal towards Falluja.

The rebel casualties were very heavy, while those of the British forces were negligible. Over 300 Iraqi prisoners were captured.

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Nazi Demands on Syria Reported

Permission to Land Forces For Attack on Suez, Iraq Said "Asked" by Germans

New York, May 8.

Gen. Dentz, French High Commissioner in Syria, has received a demand from the Germans for permission to land forces in Syria for a drive against Suez, says the Berne correspondent of the New York "Times."

The correspondent adds that Germany is threatening to send parachute troops to land on the Syrian coast, declaring that if resistance is encountered "Syria will be considered as having taken up arms against the Reich."

The correspondent expresses the belief that there is some connection between this demand and the German concession to Vichy concerning armistice terms announced last night.—Reuter.

London Speculating

London, May 8.

Commentators today continued speculating whether the French Vice-Premier, Admiral Francois Darlan, may have yielded air bases in Syria to Germany in a secret pact, enabling the Luftwaffe to swarm to Iraq to help Rashid Ali Al-Gailani, whose hard-pressed forces were reported to be on the verge of losing their first major clash in the battle for oil.

Commentators in the newspapers wondered also whether Admiral Darlan would allow German troops passage through Syria.—United Press.

British Tobruk Garrison Holding Out With Cheerful Confidence

Axis Unable to Control Harbour; Australian General's Handling of Defence Inspiring

Cairo, May 8.

THE high spirit and determination of the Tobruk garrison was described to me today by a British officer who has just made a five-day visit to the town, says Reuter's Special Correspondent.

The garrison, composed mostly of Australians, with some British and Indian units, is defending a besieged area about the size of the Isle of Wight (147 sq. miles). Although German air patrols are closely watching the harbour entrance, extending their reconnaissance far out to sea, we fully command the harbour.

The Germans are doing their utmost to prevent our use of the harbour by dive-bombing and mine-laying, but have done little more than to make passages in and out of the port somewhat anxious.

The Germans attack everything indiscriminately. Indian troops are taking a zealous part in strengthening the defences, while Libyans still in the town give willing labour service.

Results of the enemy's dive-bombing and machine-gunning activity have in no way justified his efforts. The Germans bring up artillery in the night, and also use mortars, but their gunners seem less well trained than the British.

Life in the town proceeds normally. There is no shortage of water or food. The troops are cheerful and confident, and include such men as an Australian sapper, who escaped through enemy lines, walked 300 miles in 16 days across the desert from Benghazi to Tobruk, and was admitted into hospital with torn feet. He has now made a complete recovery.

German bombers one day attacked a British vessel which was moving 200 to 300 German and Italian prisoners, who almost hysterically waved white handkerchiefs to warn the raiders of their identity, but they were attacked nevertheless and narrowly escaped being hit.

The Australian General commanding this gallant garrison retired to Tobruk during the withdrawal from western Libya. His handling of the defence is proving an inspiration to the whole garrison. He is making the best use of Italian defence works, which are practically intact.

The point where the Germans made a penetration in the outer perimeter has been well stopped. All evidence shows that enemy casualties have been very heavy, and losses among senior German officers in recent operations have been particularly severe.

German prisoners are well behaved, but they keep aloof from Italians, for whom they do not disguise their contempt. They hate the African heat, which wears down their spirits despite the rigorous preparation to which they were subjected when Germany envisaged intervention in North Africa long before the Italian debacle.

The "German African Corps" have as their sign the Swastika with a palm tree, and also their own newspaper, the "Oasis."—Reuter.

British Recapture Town of Rutbah

Berlin, May 8.

British armoured forces have occupied Rutbah on the pipeline from the Mosul oil fields to Haifa, according to a Rome dispatch to the official German news agency. Iraqi forces occupied Rutbah last Friday after attacking and taking prisoner an unarmed British working party.—Reuter.

Enemy Pressure at Tobruk Easing

British Aggressive in Attacking Axis Posts In Sollum Area

Cairo, May 8.

During the night of May 5-6, Imperial troops successfully attacked the forward enemy posts round Tobruk, inflicting casualties and taking a number of prisoners.

Communication and observation were again made difficult yesterday by a severe sandstorm, and further details are still lacking.

After failing last week to take Tobruk by assault, enemy pressure appears to be easing. Dive-bombing which reached a climax between May 1 and 3 has now slackened. The enemy is trying to hold a shallow dent in the south-west corner of the Tobruk area. They are in an uncomfortable position; they are frequently attacked by British forces and often shelled.

In the Sollum area, British mechanized forces continue vigorous patrolling activities. A British mobile unit which swept around behind Bardia and Capuzzo on May 3 and 4 caused the Germans to send patrols into the desert far south of Sollum to prevent a repetition of the exploit.

The Germans are being supplied to some extent by Junkers-52 troop-carrying planes, but many of these have already been destroyed by the Royal Air Force and their jurneys are becoming hazardous as reinforcements arrive for the Royal Air Force in the Western Desert.

During Monday night the Royal Air Force raided aerodromes at Benina, Derna, Gazala, Bardia and Berka, causing fires and explosions, while on the previous night Calato aerodrome at Rhodes was successfully raided, considerable damage and large fires being caused.—Reuter.

Italians Flee

London, May 8.

The Italians have evacuated Deberech, 44 miles north-west of Gondar in Central Abyssinia, it is learned in London.—Reuter.

Questions on Shanghai In Commons

Mr. Eden Queried on Food Situation in Settlement

London, May 8.

In answer to question by Mr. Ian C. Hannah, National Conservative member for the Bilston division of Wolverhampton, Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary stated that there had been certain difficulties in the supply of foodstuffs to Shanghai as the result of the present conditions in China.

No reports, however, had been received which would indicate that the Japanese capture of Ningpo had resulted in any food shortage in Shanghai. The situation there in this respect would, however, continue to be closely watched.

Meanwhile, the Council of the International Settlement was doing everything possible to ensure adequate food supplies for the areas under their control.

When Mr. Hannah asked: "Is not a fact that Shanghai is suffering a good deal from the way in which the Japanese, like locusts, have drained the Yangtze valley of food?" Mr. Eden's reply was inaudible.—Reuter.

Australian Casualties Not Over 3,000

Canberra, May 8.

The total casualties of the Australian Imperial force in Greece were not above 3,000 including killed, missing and prisoners, states a cable received from the Australian commander. Sir Thomas Blamey, it is announced by the War Minister, Mr. Percy Spender. Australian troops in Greece numbered 16,000. Mr. Spender said.—Reuter

All U.S. Resources to Aid British Sea Power

Guardian for a Century on Atlantic Must Not Be Destroyed, Says Col. Knox; U.S. Secretary Of Navy Condemns Nazi Tyranny

Washington, May 8.

COL. Frank Knox, Secretary of Navy, last night said that "all the great resources" of the United States, including manpower, were "committed to one supreme purpose—to see that British seapower, which has been our guardian for a century on the Atlantic, shall not be destroyed by the Power that openly admits it is an enemy of ours."

Col. Knox warned of the "perils facing this country if the bridge of ships is not maintained."

He added, "We would then face seapower immeasurably superior to our own. In this event we would have to protect the entire hemisphere with the United States Fleet against the victorious navy of Germany, Italy and France."

Col. Knox made his address before the Booksellers Convention. Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to Washington, also spoke, but did not mention the international situation.

The British Ambassador, however, read a message from Mr. Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister, which bitterly attacked Chancellor Adolf Hitler and his system and pointed out the virtues of free speech and life which Americans enjoy.

Friendly British Navy

The Secretary of Navy pointed out that oceans were a safeguard to America only if America were able to control them.

He asserted that America had been able to control them in the past largely because of the friendly British Navy.

"One of the factors which gave us the opportunity to develop to what we are now is in deadly peril and that peril, which threatens the British Navy, is a peril to you and me:" he emphasized.

"There is not a man or woman within sound, of my voice to whom the destruction of British seapower in the Atlantic is not a danger, and a danger greater than you can imagine and that is why those of us familiar with the situation appreciate beyond power of expression the dangers in which we live.

One Supreme Purpose

"That is why all the great resources of this nation in finance, industry, trade, commerce, manpower and production all are committed to one supreme purpose—to see that British seapower, which has been our guardian for a century in the Atlantic, shall not be destroyed by the Power that openly admits it is an enemy of ours."

Lord Halifax, reading Mr. Churchill's message, said, "When the minds of nations can be cowed by the will of one man, civilization is broken irreparably.

"You, who have measured the strength of the Nazi conspiracy against the world, need no reminder that the means whereby nations are raised to greatness are virtues bred by freedom of speech and writing.

Nazi Brute Will

"An one-man state is no state. It is enslavement of the soul, mind and body of mankind.

"The brute will of Germany's fleeting dictator has exiled or imprisoned the best of his writers. This remorseless despot now complains against the free American writers.

"Their fault is that they stand for the free way of life. It is life that is death to meteoric tyrants. So be it and so it will."

U.S. Navy Ready

Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, yesterday said the Navy was ready to handle the U.S. convoying job urged on Tuesday by Col. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War.

He also revealed that sea going activities of the U.S. Coast Guard were being transferred to the Navy.

When asked specifically if the Navy was ready to handle the job suggested by Col. Stimson, Col. Knox replied "the Fleet is always ready, and is more ready now than ever".

Col. Knox termed Col. Stimson's speech a "forthright, courageous and high spirited utterance."

President's Order

The Secretary of the Navy said transfer of Coast Guard seagoing activities was made on President Roosevelt's order. It involves all larger craft but not aeroplanes. Ships will be manned by the Coast Guard under Navy command.

The House Appropriations committee favourably reported on the US $173,749,630 urgent deficiency bill, including funds to establish Coast Guard facilities at Guam and Samoa and a ships' position station at Honolulu. The bill also provides US$2,390,000 for the Coast Guard to install aids to navigation, including US$108,000 for Guam.—United Press.

Furious Debate in U.S. Congress

Non-Interventionists in Washington Strike Hard At Stimson Speech

Washington, May 8.

The convoy issue yesterday again exploded in Congress as a warjittery capital awaited the President's next step in the "Battle of the Atlantic."

Developments included:

1. Passage by the House of Representatives of a measure authorizing the President to take over and use as he sees fit, 100 foreign merchantmen.

2. Announcement by Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy that the Navy was taking over seagoing activities of the U.S. coast guard.

3. Col. Knox's disclosure that Britain had made a general request for further naval reinforcements of 115 small boats.

Non-interventionists struck furiously at the Tuesday speech of Col. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War. They were especially indignant that President Roosevelt sanctioned the address.

Heated Debate

Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican of North Dakota, said the Stimson speech was "just part of the *blitzkrieg* to move the people into convoys and then into war."

Anti-convoyists, headed by Senator Charles W. Tobey, Republican of New Hampshire, announced they would centre their next struggle around an attempt to write an anti-convoy ban into the ship bill which the House passed.

Senator Tobey said he would ask a roll call vote placing every Senator on record.

"I measure my words," he said, "when I say that the vote will be a war vote."

As the House approved the bill it gave the President power to requisition and pay for, under the lend-lease bill, all foreign owned vessels tied up in American ports. He may use these ships either here or make them available to other countries. The only amendment the House accepted was one which would credit to war debts owed to the United States, the amounts paid for the ships.—United Press.

Willkie Demands Action

New York, May 8.

Mr. Wendell L. Willkie, Republican leader, yesterday demanded less talk and more action in getting aid to Britain.

"We love peace and would like to close our eyes and rid ourselves of the nightmare of this useless, wasteful struggle all around us," Mr. Willkie declared.

"Men shout for peace where there is no peace. The struggle already is upon us. We can not shut our eyes to it. The only remaining free people of Europe are being battered and destroyed.

"The truth is that if we see to it that ever increasing production from American factories and farms is safely delivered to England, England will not only survive, she will win.

"I am not interested in mere words and technical phrases. Whether you call safe delivery of goods convoying, patrolling, aeroplane accompaniment or what, we want those cargoes protected and at once, with less talk and more action."—United Press.

Senate Expunges Speeches

Washington, May 8.

The Senate yesterday unanimously moved that speeches by Senator Charles W. Tobey, Republican of New Hampshire, and Senator Claude Pepper, Democrat of Florida, be expunged from the Congressional Record.

The action was taken after Mr. Henry A. Wallace, Vice-President and President *pro-tem* of the Senate, refused the request of Senator Tom Connally, Democrat of Texas, to rule Senator Tobey's speech out of order.

Senator Connally accused Senator Tobey of impugning Senator Pepper's motives in connection with a War Department contract at Elgin Field, Florida.—United Press.

Turkey Will Never Make Concessions To Hitler, Says Ankara Journal

First Authoritative Reaction to Fuhrer's Speech; Country Remains Firm in Her Policy

Ankara, May 8.

The first authoritative reaction to Hitler's speech and Stalin's assumption of the Premiership has now become available. The semi-official newspaper "Ulus" welcomes Hitler's remarks about Turkish policy and declares that the fact that there is no contradiction between the Turkish peace policy and the German war policy doubtless had a comforting effect on those two nations, who have no political or military interest in the extension of the war in their region.

As long as Germany remains determined not to provoke a war against Turkey or create complications for Turkey, it is certain that the two countries will remain at peace. Turkey remains firm in her policy of protecting her rights and this demonstration should show Germany that Turkey would never agree to any of those small concessions which eventually led to German domination in Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria, concludes the "Ulus."

Stalin's decision to become the Prime Minister is held here to imply no change in Russian policy internally or externally, because the last word was always with Stalin.—Reuter.

Reports of Rapid Sinking of U.S. Aid To Britain Denied By Admiral Land

Only 8 of 205 Vessels Carrying American Material To U.K. Sunk During First Four Months of 1941

Washington, May 8.

Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Republican of Michigan, yesterday made public a letter from Rear Admiral Emory S. Land, Chairman of the U.S. Maritime Commission, disputing reports that 40 per cent. of U.S. aid to Britain was being sunk in the Atlantic.

Rear-Admiral Land said that only eight of 205 vessels sailing for British ports with U.S. materials aboard, had been sunk between December 30 and April 30.

The Maritime Commission head said that 158 vessels, with a total tonnage of 781,914 tons were sunk in all parts of the world during the first four months of this year.

On the basis of sinkings in the first four months, the average would be around 3,100,000 tons yearly, Rear-Admiral Land said.

Of the 158 ships sunk on all seas during the four months of this year, only twelve had cleared from United States ports, Rear Admiral Land said.—United Press.

Rome Threatens U.S. Ships

Rome, May 8.

United States ships entering the Axis blockade zone will be sunk, the Rome radio announced here yesterday.

"We serenely await Roosevelt's war, for which the Axis and Japan are prepared," the radio also said.—United Press.

*Overwhelming Confidence Vote Given Churchill

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garrison of Habbaniyah inflicted over 1,000 casualties on the Iraqi attackers.'

Mr. Churchill opened with a reference to Mr. Lloyd George's speech. —"If there were any speech in the debate which was not particularly exhilarating, it was the speech of Mr. Lloyd George, who honoured us by one of his always deeply important and much valued appearances in the House."

Mr. Lloyd George had complained because Mr. Eden did not refer to Spain, Russia, Vichy and Turkey.—"Well," said Mr. Churchill, "this is not a debate on foreign policy as a whole and the speech of the Foreign Secretary must not only be judged by what he said. Its merits must also be judged by what he did not say.

"If he did not refer to Spain, it was not because we have not plenty of information about Spain, or because there are not a lot of things that could be said, but I am not sure how those things which could be said about Spain could be couched in a vein which would be helpful to our affairs at present.

"Much might be said about Russia, but I am not sure we should gain any advantage by saying it. I am not quite certain that we should receive any thanks from the Soviet Government. It would be possible to dilate at length upon the sad tale of what is going on at Vichy, but I really do not think we should profit ourselves well if we tarried long on that painful spectacle.

"Regarding Turkey, I thank Mr. Lloyd George for the great restraint with which he spoke about a country whose relations are so highly valued by us, and whose part in this great world conflict is of the greatest importance.

"There are two points on which I can relieve his feelings and anxieties about Turkey. The first is about the vessels which carried German troops through the Dardanelles to take the Greek islands. They had no right to stop them."

Mr. Churchill then read an article of the convention dealing with the straits, and added with reference to the merchantmen, "I believe one of them might have been used in the occupation of an island but there were other vessels in the possession of the Germans and Italians which could have equally been used for that purpose. This matter is a question of the interpretation of the treaty, and is a matter for Turkey."

Mr. Churchill referred to the remark by Mr. Lloyd George about the agreement between Turkey and Iraq and said that Mr. Lloyd George was evidently referring to Iran.—I am happy to be able to relieve Mr. Lloyd George's anxiety. It appears that the arrangement is between Turkey and Persia, and relates to measures to strengthen the Turco-Persian border, which we knew all about, and which has been prepared for some time and is now to be put into force as from April 1941.

"I do not think Mr. Lloyd George's speech was particularly helpful in a period of what he himself called discouragement and disheartenment. It is not the sort of speech one would have expected from a great war leader of former days who is accustomed to brush aside despondency and push onward to a distant goal.

"It was a speech with which I think the illustrious Marshal Petain might well have enlivened the days of M. Reynaud's cabinet. I am grateful to him for one note he struck, namely that he made it clear we should close our debate by a vote of confidence. Because of the kind of speech we heard from him, I think the Government were right to put down a vote of confidence, because after our reverses and disappointments in the field, they have the right to know where they stand with the Commons, and where the Commons stand with the country.

"It is highly important for the sake of foreign nations, especially nations balancing their policy at the present time, that they should be left in no doubt about the stability of this resolved and obstinate War Government. It is essential, considering the tremendous issues at stake, that we should have certitude upon these matters.

Lively Interest

"In enemy countries there is the liveliest interest in our proceedings. I flatter myself that high hopes are entertained that all will not go well with His Majesty's present advisers at the present time. The only way in which these doubts can be removed or these hopes discouraged is for such a vote to be decisive.

"I should be the last to reject even unfair criticism, or fair criticism which is so much more searching, but there is one kind of criticism which is a little irritating.

"When a bystander sees a team of horses dragging a very heavy wagon uphill and cuts a switch from a hedge he may have a benevolent purpose and benefit may result from his efforts to get the wagon to the top more quickly. But it would be a pity if the debate consisted wholly of critical and condemnatory speeches, because that would give a distorted impression to important interested foreign observers who are not well acquainted with our parliamentary or political affairs, therefore I ask for a vote of confidence.

This is a free Parliament and a free country. We have succeeded in maintaining under unprecedented difficulties and dangers which in some cases might be mortal, the whole process and reality of our parliamentary institutions. I am proud of that, and it is one of the things we are fighting for. I cannot believe any man would bear the kind of burden which falls upon the Government today unless he was sustained by the strong convinced support of the House of Commons and the nation.

"The only relief I feel is that everything in human power was done by us and that our honour as a nation is clear. As far as the German invasion of the Balkans is concerned, we had long and ample forewarning of what was in prospect.

Ample Warning

"Our diplomacy has never ceased for a moment to apprise the countries of the perils coming on them, and to urge the common action by which alone security and safety could be attained. For weeks we watched the remorseless movements of vast German forces through Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria towards Yugoslavia, until at least 40 divisions, including five armoured divisions, were massed on the scene.

"Hitler has told us it was a crime in such circumstances for us to go to the aid of the Greeks. I do not want to enter into any arguments with experts, but this is the kind of crime of which he is a good judge.

"Looking back upon the course of events I can only feel, as the Prime Minister of New Zealand so ably declared, that if we had to tread again that stony path even with the knowledge we possess today, I for one would do the same thing again. But, after all military operations must be judged by the success which attends them rather than the sentiments which inspire them, though these too may play their part in the verdict of history and in the survival of races.

"It remains to be seen whether the Italian dictator, in invading Greece, and the German dictator, in coming to his rescue and involving Greece and Yugoslavia in a bloody welter, will in fact have gained an advantage or suffered a loss when the full story of this war is complete even from the military viewpoint.

More Serfs

"The addition of the whole Balkan people to the number of ancient independent states which have fallen under the Nazi yoke, and have to be held down by brute force or intrigue may by no means prove a source of strength to the Germany army. This vast machine is now spread from the Arctic to the Aegean, and from the Atlantic to the Black Sea. That is no source of strength.

"Nothing will debar the Germans from establishing and shaping a new Europe, and one will certainly emerge, more than the fact that the German army and the German race have become, and are becoming more universally and intensely hated among the peoples of all lands than any enemy or any race of which history bears record.

"Some have compared Hitler's conquests with Napoleon's. It may be that Spain and Russia will shortly furnish new chapters to that theme. It must be remembered, however, that Napoleon's armies carried with them the fierce, liberating equalitarian winds of the French Revolution whereas Hitler's empire has nothing behind it but racial self-assertion, espionage, pillage, corruption and the Prussian boot.

"I have confidence that the will power of the British nation, expressing itself through a stern, steadfast, unyielding House of Commons, will once again perform its liberating functions and humbly execute a high purpose among men.

"I say this with more confidence because we are no longer a small island lost in the northern mists, but around us there gather in broad array all the nations of the British Empire. Now from across the Atlantic, the might of the United States proclaims itself on our side or at our side, or at any rate near our side.

"I do not today discuss the large complicated questions of munitions, or food questions. Probably in a secret session, the Minister of Supply will make a statement to the House.

Simple Point

"There is one simple point about tanks which Mr. Hore-Belisha in his speech yesterday might have mentioned, for he was head of the War Office in the years preceding the war. In the last war, tanks were built to go three or four miles an hour and stand up to rifle or machine-gun bullets. In the interval, mechanical science has advanced so much, that it is possible to make tanks to go up to 25 miles an hour and stand up to cannon fire.

"It is a particular revolution by which Hitler has profited. It was well known in military and technical circles for years before the war. It did not spring from German, but from British ideas and others like Gen. de Gaulle. It has been exploited and turned to our grievous injury by the non-inventive but highly competent and imitative Germans.

"For the comfort of Mr. Hore-Belisha, let me tell him that we are making every month now as many heavy tanks as there existed in the British Army at the time he left the War Office, and that we shall, before the end of this year, be producing nearly double that. This takes no account of the immense production of the United States."

Replying to Mr. Lloyd George's criticisms about the composition of the Government, Mr. Churchill declared that the present body works easily and effectively at present, and that he did not propose to make any further changes until further advised.

"Something has to been said of the importance of my being surrounded by people who would stand up to me and say no, no, no. He has no idea how strong the negative principle is in the constitution and working of British war making machinery. The difficulty is not to have more brakes put on the wheel but to get more impetus and force behind it.

"In the business of Libya and Greece, no violence has been done to expert military opinion. All decisions have been taken unitedly and freely, voluntarily and in good will, under the pressure of events. I personally, as head of the government, obviously assumed responsibility in the most direct personal form.

"It follows that I am the one whose head may be cut off if we do not win this war—and I am very ready that this should be so—and that because the Members of the House would probably experience an even more unpleasant fate at the hands of the triumphant Huns.

"There is a tendency in some quarters, especially abroad, to talk about the Middle East as if we could afford to lose our position there and yet carry on the war to victory on the oceans and in the air.

Gravity of Issues

"Stated as an academic or strategic fact, that may be true, but do not let anyone underrate the gravity of the issues being fought for in the Nile valley. The loss of the Nile valley and the Suez Canal, of our position in the Mediterranean, and of Malta, would be among the heaviest blows we could sustain. We are determined to fight for them with all the resources of the British Empire, and we have every reason to believe we shall be successful.

"General Sir Archibald Wavell has under his orders at present nearly 500,000 men. A continuous flow of equipment has been in progress from this country during the last ten months, and now that Italian resistance in Abyssinia, Africa and the Somalilands is collapsing, a steady concentration northwards of all these forces is possible. Indeed it has been for many weeks rapidly proceeding and General Smuts has ordered the splendid South African army forward to the Mediterranean shore.

"But the warfare of the Western Desert, or of any of the deserts which surround Egypt, can only be conducted by comparatively small numbers of highly equipped troops. The employment in the desert of large numbers may only lead to disaster. That is what happened to the Italians. Over 180,000 men lay along the African soil, and once the head of these forces was chopped off it was not physically possible for them to retreat.

"The same thing, with important modifications, might well have happened to us when the German armoured forces defeated and largely destroyed our single armoured brigade which was guarding the advanced frontier of the province of Cyrenaica. I have no exact account of what happened at El Agheila, and the generals were taken prisoner by taking undue risk in personal movements.

"Events are moving so fast, and people have so much to do that there is no time to dwell upon the past, but certain broad features will surprise the House. The German armoured force was not much larger than our own. Technical mistakes and mischances occurred and with very little fighting our armoured forces became disorganized.

"The other troops we had in Benghazi only amounted to a division, which, by a rapid retreat, gained Tobruk unmolested and there gained a large garrison, and with reinforcements, stands there at bay today.

To Create a Diversion

"As we now know, the Germans had no expectations of proceeding beyond Agedabia. They meant to engage our armoured troops and create a diversion to prevent the despatch of reinforcements to Greece whilst bringing over large forces from Italy and Sicily.

"When they won their surprising success, they accepted it with organized audacity and pushed on into the desert, taking little thought as to what they should eat or drink on the morrow. They pushed on until they came up against the very heavy prop at Tobruk, and until they came to the large forces which guarded the frontiers of Egypt and lie back securely based on road and sea communications.

"There, at present, they have stopped. It would be foolish to carry the story further but as long as the enemy has a superiority in armoured vehicles they will have the advantage in desert warfare, although at present the air forces are about equal. For the invasion of Egypt with a main force, enormous preparations would be required. A pipeline might have be made to carry an artificial river forward with the troops.

Command of Sea

"We are lying back on our fertile desert, which, incidentally, is the worst ground for armoured vehicles. We have command of the sea, and the Germans are confronted in Africa with problems far more difficult than any they have solved. This is all the more true while we are defending, as we intend to defend to the death without any thought of retirement, the highly defensive outposts of Crete and Tobruk.

"Crete has not yet been attacked. The strategic significance of Tobruk was obvious from the first, and anyone can see how irresistibly it has imposed itself on the enemy. We intend to fight with all our strength for the Nile valley and the command of the Mediterranean. Our troops and resources will give a good account of themselves. Therefore, let there be no feather-beaded or defeatist talk about cutting our losses in the Middle East.

"As I said in December, when our situation in Egypt was far more critical than now, it is a case of deeds not words. Our generals on the spot believed that no superior German force could advance effectively across the desert as soon or as quickly as they did, and that if they did advance they would not be able to establish themselves.

"That was a mistake, but anyone who supposes there will not be mistakes in war is very unreal and foolish. It has yet to be seen how the forces that have advanced will fare in the heavy fighting with all the hazards which still lie before them at no great distance.

"When your enemy has five or six times the regular army that you have, when he is more adequately equipped and is much stronger in the air and in tanks, and when he lies in the centre of the war scene and can strike out in one, two or three directions simultaneously out of a choice of seven or eight, it is evident that your problem becomes rather difficult.

"It is not possible to avoid repeated rebuffs and misfortunes, and these we shall very likely have to go through for quite a long time. Our intelligence service was thought to be the best in the world in the last war, and it is certainly not the worst in the world today.

Troops Needed

As long ago as last May the Foreign Office began to ask for troops to be sent to Iraq to guard the lines of communication. But all the troops we had got had to go to the Nile valley. In default of troops it was difficult to make headway against the pro-Axis intrigues of Raschid Ali, whose object obviously was to have everything ready for the Germans as soon as they could reach Iraq according to plan.

"Therefore, the ill-informed, slothful, kid-gloved British Government actually forestalled this plot. Strong British forces landed and assumed control of a highly important bridgehead in the east—Basra—for which we shall doubtless have to fight hard and long.

"Raschid Ali was led into more violent courses. For several days we were very anxious about our position there. Yesterday, the garrison at Habbaniyah sallied out and completely routed the besiegers and put them to flight. 26 Iraqi officers and 408 men were taken prisoner and the total enemy casualties are estimated at 1,000.

"Possibly, the Germans will arrive before we have crushed the revolt, in which case our task will become more difficult. Possibly the revolt went off at half cock. We intend to assist the Iraqis to get rid of Raschid Ali and his military dictatorship at the earliest possible moment.

"I have never promised anything but blood, tears, toil and sweat, to which I will add our full share of mistakes, shortcomings and disappointments, and also that this may go on for a very long time, at the end of which I firmly believe there will be a complete and final victory.

"It is a mistake to say that the Battle of the Atlantic is won. Our test is the number of tons of imports brought in.

"At present we are maintaining the rate of traffic with heavy losses. We are trying to meet those losses by building new ships, repairing damaged ships, and accelerating the turning round of our ships in ports. We have made great progress in all these spheres, but there is much more to do.

"With the continued flow of assistance already given us by the United States, we can probably maintain our minimum essential traffic during 1941. For 1942 we must look to an immense construction of merchantmen in the United States. I have received the assurance of construction by the United States, which, added to our own large programme, should see us through that year. Maybe 1943, if we have to endure it as a year of war, will present easier problems.

U.S. Aid

The United States Patrol announced by President Roosevelt, takes a considerable part of the Atlantic in a certain degree off our hands, but we need a good deal more help, and I expect we shall get a good deal more help in many ways.

"It has been declared that we are to have all the help that is necessary, but there I speak with caution because no British minister can forecast still less prescribe the policy of the United States. When a mighty democracy of 130,000,000 gets on the move, one can only await the full developments of the translation of those vast psychological manifestations into physical means. Hitler's fear of the United States is apparent from the fact that he has not, long ago, declared war upon them.

Dangers Not Forgotten

"I have never underrated our problems and dangers. We are fighting for our life and survival from day to day and hour to hour. But Hitler has his problems too, and if we only remain united and strive to our utmost to increase our exertions and work together like one great family, helping each other as 5,000,000 families in Britain are doing today under enemy fire, I cannot conceive how anyone can doubt that victory will crown the good cause which we serve.

"It is almost a year since the disastrous Battle of France. Little did we know what storms and perils lay before us, and little did Hitler know when he received the total capitulation of France and expected to be master of Europe in a few weeks and of the world in a few years, that ten months later he would be appealing to the much-tried German people to prepare themselves for the war of 1942.

"When I look back on the perils which we have overcome, and remember all that has gone wrong and also all that has gone right I feel sure we have no need to fear the tempest. Let it roar, let it rage. We shall come through."—Reuter.

Nazi Warships Hit By Heavy Bombs

Armour-Piercing Missiles Strike Two Battlecruisers In Raid on Brest

London, May 8.

Direct hits were made on the German battlecruisers, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, during an attack by British bombers on Brest last night, it is learned.

The raid was described as "heavy," and, in addition to the hits on the warships, considerable damage was also done to the naval base itself.

Heavy armour-piercing bombs were dropped on the Scharnhorst and the Gneisenau during the raid, says an Air Ministry communique giving details of the attacks.

"A heavy and particularly successful attack was made last night by a strong force of aircraft of the Bomber Command on the battlecruisers Scharnhorst and Gneisenau at Brest. The view was excellent, the warships were clearly seen and direct hits with heavy armour-piercing bombs were obtained on both of them.

"Much damage was also done to the naval base itself.

"Other aircraft of the same command attacked the submarine base at St. Nazaire, docks at Bremen and enemy shipping off the Dutch coast and large fires were started.

"Over Germany the weather was not favourable, but much damage was done to warehouses and industrial buildings at Bremen.

"Two aircraft of the Bomber Command are missing from these night operations."—Reuter.

Argentina to Import More British Textiles

Buenos Aires, May 8.

A 20 per cent. increase is anticipated in the imports of cottons, linens and rayons as a result of a British dress-show.

Manchester exporters have experienced the unique request again to bring out a new season's pattern-book which had never been required after the end of March. A new system of printing on rayon, which the Argentine has only seen before on real silk, has created keen interest.

Mannequins are having a wonderful time, says Mrs. Rosemary Chance, who thinks Buenos Aires women are as chic as Parisiennes and the town is like Paris in the old days.—Reuter.

Japan-N.E.I. Parleys Enter Formal Stage

Batavia, May 8.

Indicating that the economic talks between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies have entered the formal stage, Mr. Kenkichi Yoshizawa, special Japanese envoy, accompanied by Mr. Yutaka Ishizawa, consul-general, conferred this evening with Mr. H. J. van Mook, Director of the Economic Affairs Bureau, and Mr. J. E. van Hoogstraten, Chief of the Commerce Bureau.

The conferees remained closeted for some time in the Conference Hall where the meeting was held, although details of the discussion were still not available.—Domei.

Stirring Speech Made By Menzies in Ottawa

"Britain Not Asking for Peace; She is Going to Fight for It"

Ottawa, May 8.

"We shall win the war; I do not say that in any easy optimism but with supreme confidence," said Mr. R. G. Menzies, Australian Prime Minister, in a speech at a Canadian Club luncheon after his arrival from New York in a Canadian Royal Air Force bomber.

"We British have the will, the men, the spirit, all we need is for the world to give us machines. Our cause is the cause of the United States and all civilised people."

The people of Britain "are not going to ask for peace—they are going to fight for it," he declared.

The Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of Canada, and Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister, attended the luncheon.

Mr. Menzies later attended a meeting of the House of Commons and was given a seat on the floor of the House —an honour conferred on a non-member for the first time since the last war. The members gave him a rousing reception. Mr. Menzies then attended a meeting of the War Cabinet.

Addressing the House of Commons, Mr. Menzies declared: "As long as the Dominions stand, Britain will not fall." Describing the spirit and courage he had found in all parts of the free world, especially in Britain, he stated: "In moral fibre, there is no inferiority in the British race. Greek soil has been enriched by the blood of other free men who fought there for freedom."—Reuter.

*Iraq Trouble May Be Settled

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Guns flown to the scene of the battle in aircraft contributed to the defeat of the Iraqis, and the aerodrome at Moascar al Raschid was again bombed. One hangar was completely destroyed by fire and a twin-engined aircraft blown up, while a number of others were severely damaged and the aerodrome surface badly cut up. The British aircraft received practically no opposition.—Reuter.

Turkish Mediation Futile

Istanbul, May 8.

Authorized diplomatic quarters here yesterday believed that any successful Turkish mediation of the British-Iraqi dispute is highly unlikely.

It also was reported here that Emir Abdullah, of Trans-Jordania, and the former Premier, Duki Sabb-Pasha, were on Iraqi soil but under British protection.

British correspondents reported from Basrah that Rashid's supporters were complaining of the Axis failure to help, adding that Rashid's troops have been anxiously waiting for German help to drop from the skies and have been even leaving signal flares burning all night to guide the Luftwaffe.—United Press.

Denial Expected on Burma Road Rumour

Chungking Report Alleges Britain May Close Route

Chungking, May 8.

A categorical denial is expected to be issued by British authorities here with reference to rumours that Britain is again contemplating the closure of the Burma Road as a result of Japanese threats.

A rumour was circulated here following reports of conversations in Tokyo between the British Ambassador to Japan, Sir Robert Craigie, and the Japanese Vice-Foreign Minister, Mr. Chuichi Ohashi.

Reuters' learns that the conversations had no connection with the Burma Road.

The British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, is receiving Chinese and foreign press representatives here at the British Embassy tomorrow noon.—Reuter.

Eden's Narrow Escape From Disaster

London, May 8.

Members of Parliament today are discussing the narrow escape of Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, when the plane in which he was going to the Middle East was caught in a great storm which sank 15 vessels in the Tagus.

When Mr. Eden spoke in the House of Commons yesterday he referred to the delay in his arrival in Cairo due to "certain eccentricities of the weather."

The true story, which has just emerged, is that his plane in stormy weather was swept up by air currents and dashed down again almost to sea-level, the pilot sending a message saying there was worse ahead and asked whether he ought to return to England.

The Foreign Secretary advised: "Push on," and they reached Gibraltar with ten minutes of petrol supply to spare.—Reuter.

Licences Required for Transit of Goods in U.S.

Washington, May 8.

By an executive order, President Roosevelt has subjected the transit of goods through the United States to the export licence control system.

This action is interpreted as a further step in plugging the leakage of supplies to Axis or pro-Axis nations and may, to some extent, restrict the movements of goods from South-America to United States ports for trans-shipment to other countries, including Japan.—Reuter.

U.S. Loans to Britain

Washington, May 8.

To remedy the forced liquidation of British assets in the United States, the Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives yesterday approved legislation authorising the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make loans to Britain in return for securities of British companies in the United States.—Reuter.

Japanese Attack Near Chuki

Attempt to Recapture Town Said Forestalled By Japanese Move

Gunfire has been resounding in the mountainous regions of the south bank of the Tsentang River since dawn on Tuesday when Japanese units started an offensive against an estimated 150,000 Chungking troops under the command of General Ku Chu-tung, concentrated along 20 kilometre line connecting Fengkiaochen, Yangtsun, Kitow and Kaitow, in order to recover Chuki, which was taken by the Japanese forces on April 20, according to reports reaching here.

Despatches from the front lines said that the Chinese suffered losses of 565 dead. The Japanese had already captured six trench mortars, 167 rifles, 127 hand grenades, and 20,000 rounds of rifle ammunition.

Another body of the Japanese forces are attacking the Chinese entrenched in the mountain heights for the purpose of cutting off the Chinese retreat from Fengkiaochen.

General Ku Chu-tung, Commander-in-Chief of the 3rd war zone, assembled the 148th Division from Poyanghu and the newly organized 34th, 67th and 79th Divisions from Taihu with the belief that the Japanese troops will commence an advance from Chuki, Hsiaoshing and Ningpo because Japanese units in Wenchow and Haimen had already started moving inland.

Meanwhile, Japanese air units co-operating with ground forces bombed Chinese troops fleeing from the mountains southward.

One Japanese unit reported on Wednesday that Chinese troops left 250 dead, while 46 were made prisoner and large quantities of arms and ammunition were captured.

Chinese Defences Broken

Hankow, May 8.

With Chinese defences crumbling under the smashing weight of Japanese assaults, Japanese forces broke through Chinese lines west of the Tapieh Mountains in northern Hupeh with several detachments knocking at the gates of Liukiaho, 40 kilometres north of Suihsien by nightfall yesterday, according to reports reaching here.

Front line reports said that the Chinese were fleeing to the north and west as a result of a relentless night and day drive by the Japanese.

Simultaneously, 11 Japanese units drove through Chinese defences at Taochiaoliu, 12 kilometres west of Liukiaho, delivering a severe blow to Chungking's 123rd Division under General Chen Sung-chin.

Remainder of the Chungking troops were being pursued westward by the Japanese who kept up the chase regardless of the growing darkness, until the Chinese retreat became a disorderly rout.

Other Japanese detachments pushed in another direction as far as Lutzuwan, four kilometres west of Liukiaho, and were carrying out a mopping up drive against enemy remnants, it was further reported.—Domei.

Hunan, Kwangsi Raids

Central China, May 8.

Capitalizing on the excellent weather prevailing, Japanese naval air units raided important Chungking strongholds in Hunan and Kiangsi Provinces, causing considerable damage to Chinese military establishments, it was announced last night by the Press Bureau of the Japanese Central China Seas Fleet.

Early in the afternoon, military establishments across the river from Changsha were smashed by Japanese bombers in the face of severe anti-aircraft fire, while other units later bombed Shenchow and Chenki, 200 and 280 kilometres northwest of Changsha respectively, blasting a number of arsenals and supply depots.

Later in the afternoon, the Japanese raided Yingtan, in Kiangsi Province. All units participating in yesterday's raids returned to their base safely, the communique said.—Domei.

"Slight Damage"

Chungking, May 7.

Two batches of Japanese planes raided Hunan province yesterday afternoon.

The first batch of seventeen planes and the second of eight dropped scores of bombs on Chenki and Yuanling, both towns on the Yuan River in Western Hunan. Only slight damage was done.

Yunnan was also the scene of a Japanese air raid shortly after noon yesterday, when twenty seven Japanese planes, flying in two groups one of eighteen and the other of nine planes, bombed Mengtze and Kienshui, in Southern Yunnan. There is no information yet as to the amount of damage done.—Havas Telemondial.

Honan, Shansi Offensive

North China, May 8.

Directed against Chungking forces still infesting southern Shanghai and Honan Provinces, Japanese Expeditionary Forces in North China, started an offensive on Wednesday evening, it was announced by the Japanese High Command this morning.—Domei.

20,000 Bottles of Sake Being Sent to Troops

Nara, May 8.

To quench the thirst of Japanese troops at the front, 20,000 bottles (1918 gallons) of sake will be sent to China, it was decided yesterday morning by the Central Federation of Sake Breweries in Nara.—Domei.

Irish Free State Income-Tax Raised

All-Round Increase Is Announced from Sept. 1

Dublin, May 8.

Introducing Eire's £40,626,000 budget, Sean Thomas O'Kelly, Eireann Minister of Finance, in the Dail yesterday proposed to raise the Irish Free State income-tax from 6/6d. in the £1 to 7/6d. in the £1. The gap between revenue and expenditure was £7,765,000 and there was no chance of bridging it by normal means, Mr. O'Kelly told the Dail.

The Finance Minister also announced a tax of 50% on profits from Sept. 1 and an increased duty of 5/6d. per pound on tobacco, as well as double duty on matches. Also to be increased is the duty on imported newspapers, and all internal newspapers would be taxed. Other increases are on postage rates for letters and postcards, and on petrol and cider, but no increase is contemplated in duties on beer and spirits, and no purchase tax is envisaged.

A sum for the Supply Services and Central Fund to be met was estimated at £40,620,000, which is the highest in the history of the State. When capital sums have been deducted, the net expenditure was £39,448,000.—Reuter.

Mr. Chuichi Ohashi Enters Hospital

Tokyo, May 8.

Mr. Kumaichi Yamamoto, Chief of the East Asiatic Affairs Division of the Foreign Office had been appointed acting Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs during the absence of Mr. Chuichi Ohashi, it was announced by the Foreign Office today. Mr. Ohashi was hospitalized today for treatment of intestinal trouble.—Domei.

Mr. and Mrs. Luce In Chungking

Chungking, May 7.

Mr. Henry Luce, owner and editor of "Time," "Life," and "Fortune" magazines, arrived here this morning from Hongkong, accompanied by his wife Claire Booth, the well-known playwright. Also on the plane which landed here this morning was Mr. Jacoby, a representative of the National Broadcasting Corporation.—Havas Telemondial.

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Former German Editor Clubbed to Death

Washington, May 7.

Herr Harrich Simon, former editor-in-chief of the well-known German paper "Frankfurter Zeitung," was clubbed to death here last night by a group of unidentified individuals.

Herr Simon had entered the United States as a political refugee from Germany shortly after the advent of the National-Socialist regime. He was the grand-son of Leopold Simon, founder of the "Frankfurter Zeitung." According to the police investigating the murder, the assailants had no intention of robbing the deceased.—Havas.

New Chairman of Nippon Club

Mr. Shichitaro Yada, President of the Tung Wen University, was yesterday nominated Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Nippon Club, in succession to Mr. Yutaro Hanawa, the "Shanghai Mainichi" said yesterday.

At a meeting of the Directors yesterday, Mr. Yoshitada Kishinami, Manager of the Shanghai office of the Yokohama Specie Bank, was also designated Vice-Chairman. Present membership of the Nippon Club is 1,640.

Dr. Vidal will speak to-night about Retarded Children

Dr. Vidal will speak to-night in French over Radio Station XMHC (over a wavelength of 428.5 metres or 700 kilocycles) at 8.05 p.m. on the subject, "L'action de la touche nasale chez les enfants retardés et chez les enfants paresseux."—Advt.

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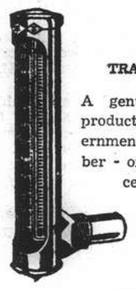

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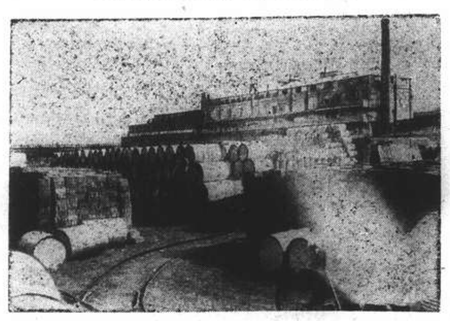

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Spring Means More Bombs, But Britons Unperturbed

Impressions of Nazi Attacks up to Middle of March Given in Letter From Home

THERE are still no signs of any collapse of *moral* in Britain, in spite of the arrival of spring and the possibility that it will be followed by more bombs. Indeed, the contrary seems to be the case, judging from a letter received in Shanghai from Home, dated March 17, in which it is stated that Londoners seem to be becoming fatalists, and no longer are the same precautions being taken as were taken during the earlier stages of the Nazi raidings. With the new summer time, theatres can remain open until 11 p.m., and night clubs and restaurants do business until the early hours. In the countryside the spirit is high, even the aged who may have had their life-savings destroyed by a single Nazi missile, being cheerful and gay under their burdens. Extracts from the letter follow :—

We are all very glad to feel that the winter is behind us at last, although spring means more bombs. "Summer time" in winter means breakfast by artificial light for months on end; those of us who live in the country and work in London never saw our homes by daylight except at week-ends, which was depressing.

We are shortly to have yet another hour of "summer time" which is all to the good except for the farmers. With the "black-out" at midsummer as late as 11 p.m. many of the theatres will be able to open again. That there is no longer a theatre public in London is, I believe, quite untrue. The restaurants are all crowded at night and the night-clubs keep going till 3 a.m. and later. The fact is that Londoners are getting hardened to bombs and are rapidly becoming fatalists. Most of those who used to sleep in the basement, or under the kitchen table, now sleep comfortably in their beds, having decided that if they must die they may as well do so in comfort.

Band Plays Louder

My daughter was at a ball at Grosvenor House during the worst of the recent raids. When it got really noisy the band switched to a louder tune and no one seems to have enjoyed the evening any the less. The same night my wife was dining at a restaurant and enough bombs fell close by to make it very difficult for her to get away by car owing to the surrounding streets being blocked by debris and craters. She drew up at one point with the front wheels of the car on the lip of a new crater. The words of an Air Raid Warden, "Keep to the right, madam, there has been an incident," seemed rather an understatement.

Our local and much bombed village, which provides no military objective, had another parachute bomb a few nights ago. Although every window except the leaded and steel-framed ones, was broken and several houses wrecked, no one was killed. Several old people, however, are homeless and have lost their life savings which they had invested in their cottages. Judging by the effect it has had on my neighbours I do not think that if every village in England was similarly bombed the Germans would be any nearer victory. One old lady and her granddaughter were laughing and joking in my house within half an hour of their house being wrecked.

Old People Stand Up Well

Old people generally are standing up to the blitz remarkably well. An elderly cousin writes to me: "Considering that I am within a few days of my 87th birthday I am really very well. I have just recorded our 514th raid since August 14. Total duration of periods covered 1.525 hours 45 minutes (55 days odd). Ten of my windows were broken and an old laurel hedge blown away into dust."

The blitz has, of course, caused many migrations in England, from town to country, from east to west and from south to north. Only recently, however, did I learn that live stock are being similarly evacuated. The owner of a pedigree milking herd near me has sent some of his stock to Scotland so as to spread his risks. I hear also of a migration of sheep from the Sussex to the Berkshire Downs. Many of the shop-keepers, especially art and antique dealers, are similarly scattering their stocks. Incidentally Parkers, the well-known print sellers, told me the other day that they are doing very well. People here are buying for a rise after the war—and probably with inflation in mind—and American buyers are also coming into the market.

Here is the latest way of making money. Two business men I know, competitors in the same market, made their routine applications to the authorities for import quotas for the same class of goods. One was granted a quota far short of his requirements and the second was given a quota of £3,000 which he did not require. After a talk together the first man who was short of a quota sold £3,000 of goods to the second and bought them back for £4,000 on the understanding that the necessary import permit would be attached to the documents. A perfectly legal transaction and moreover a perfectly true story. The sad part is that every penny of the £1,000 so easily earned will go to the Exchequer in E.P.T.

Few Unemployed

I do not know whether our unemployment figures are published in your local press. If so, do not be deceived by them. They mostly represent unemployables (through age or infirmity) or men in transition from one job to another; the whole country is working very hard and when one loses a man it is extremely difficult to replace him. Women are taking on men's jobs everywhere, especially in the transport services. The Underground seems to be preferred by the less attractive ones.

Years ago I heard the elderly critics of a well-known admiral reduced to apologetic silence by someone pointing out that they appeared to have forgotten that the admiral was at least a magnificent racquets player. Now some lunatic has written to "The Times" pointing out that "One of General Wavell's noblest qualities has passed unmentioned. In the former War we reckoned that we got good inter-divisional cricket in Palestine. General Wavell was not merely a more than useful bat, he was a valued change bowler—leg-breaks with a really fine turn of speed, which is not too common with a leg-break bowler. He played for Corps H.Q." No wonder foreigners think us mad!

P.W.D. Scavengers Resume Work

Second Strike Within Two Weeks Settled; Other Disputes Continue

Approximately 200 Russian strike-breakers, who came out to clean the streets of the French Concession early yesterday morning, were paid off when the 700 striking scavengers of the Concession resumed work, thus terminating their second strike within two weeks. The garbage coolies first struck on April 27, but agreed to return to their jobs on May 1.

On May 3, they struck again after they had discovered that no pay was forthcoming for the strike period. A brief mêlée ensued when the strikers assaulted the non-striking element, and police had to be called out to force the coolies out of the depot. It was reported that the French police had arrested a number of rioters, but that they were later released.

The terms, by which the scavengers agreed to resume work, could not be ascertained yesterday, but it was learned that the majority of their demands would be reviewed in the near future.

Meanwhile, all the other disputes, with the exception of a strike at a nail factory in Tiendong Road, continued without change yesterday. The Commercial Press trouble was still deadlocked, as were the disputes at Sang Li Chang Iron works and Millers Transportation Co. Several wharf coolies of the Ewo Cotton Mill were still on strike yesterday.

The strike of dry cleaning and dyeing workers, which started on Sunday, has not yet been settled. It was reported yesterday that shops had been advised to close up in order to prevent untoward incidents. The Shanghai Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Trade Association has requested the strikers to resume work and then negotiate with their employers. This advice may be taken by the striking workers.

Another "go-slow" strike at the Taylor Garage was predicted by Chinese papers yesterday. According to their reports, the management had dismissed two employees on Sunday. The other employees of the garage, it is reported, have demanded the reinstatement of these men, threatening to strike unless the management complied with their demand.

With their demands for increases left without a satisfactory reply, 37 workers of the Yeh Chung Engineering Co., situated in Lane 1458 Bubbling Well Road, called a "sit-down" strike yesterday at 8 a.m.

Kidnappers Held for More Inquiries

Many Crimes Said Traced To Gang

Nine suspected kidnappers and robbers arrested by the Central police were charged on six counts in the First Special District Court yesterday, but after debate between the prosecution and lawyers for the defence, judgment was reserved and the hearing postponed pending further investigations. Accused were alleged to be responsible for the theft of more than $9.000 from the U.B. Brewery in Gordon Road on October 9 of last year.

Among the kidnapping victims mentioned in court were Chou Tze-chuen of the Hsing Ho Cotton Mill, who was wounded but who succeeded in escaping from the hands of kidnappers in January of this year in Museum Road; Chang Shih-yro, proprietor of the Chang Shih Kee Iron Workshop who was alleged to have paid $20,000 to regain freedom; Hu Deh-chu, a nine-year old boy who was carried away last year in Jessfield Road, and a 11-month old baby whom the kidnappers returned later to his parents after receiving $2,000. The baby was kidnapped from his home at 1085 Chengtu Road in February of this year.

Thirteen other suspected robbers faced the same court yesterday in connection with the armed robbery committed on Wednesday in the Yuen Heng Pawnshop at 223 Yangchow Road. They were remanded in custody after a short hearing. It was alleged that part of the stolen jewellery had been recovered from the accused, who were arrested by the Yangtszepoo police.

No Negotiations With Chungking

Japanese to Deal Only With Nanking

The Japanese government will hereafter entertain no idea of negotiating directly with Chungking in any circumstances, since Japanese military authorities in China and Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, are of the opinion that Japan should totally support the new Nanking régime on the basis of the newly concluded treaty signed at Nanking.

This is the gist of a statement issued by K. Honda, the Japanese Ambassador to Nanking, on Wednesday night in the Astor House Hotel, after he had arrived here from Nanking. Ambassador Honda is expected to leave Shanghai today to consult Tokyo on these questions, it is revealed by the "Sin Shun Pao" which published his statement in full yesterday

Rice Profiteering Widespread

Operators in Interior Follow Shanghai Trends; Rumours Fostered Here

Information obtained from Chinese sources and the press tends to indicate that by relieving the rice situation in Shanghai, authorities of the Settlement here will not only be thanked by the Shanghai populace but also by the people in the whole of central China, because "rice worms" in this part of the country are trying to follow the example set by Shanghai profiteers by hoarding the grain and by keeping abreast with them in their price increases.

Hope is expressed by the same circles that the Settlement authorities will make it clear to all that the plan of shipping Hongkong rice to Shanghai is a permament one which may not be disrupted by any eventuality, including the southward move by Japan. Rumours spread by profiteers in the Shanghai Rice Market on Wednesday that the Council might not be able to obtain a second shipment of Hongkong rice after the first shipment of 50,000 bags, and that the impending Japanese southward move might endanger the position of Hongkong, caused prices to jump up again towards the afternoon, despite the fact that prices had been following a downward trend for several days.

Riot in Sungkiang

A correspondent writing from Taiho, Kiangsi, reveals that the price of rice in that famous rice-producing province is now $60 per picul, which is a record, since in the pre-war days the price was between $4 and $5. It is said that prices quoted in Shanghai are often published in Kiangsi newspapers. On Tuesday, a big rice riot occurred in Sungkiang, says a Sungkiang correspondent writing for the "Central China Daily News." There the price was quoted at $135, on Wednesday. In other words, rice profiteers in that district were following Shanghai prices so closely that they quoted almost exactly the same price on the same day. Great uneasiness is said to be prevailing in that rice district.

It is revealed by another correspondent writing from Wusih that the Magistrate there has had to issue an official notice forbidding the merchants to increase the price of rice beyond the $110 mark. This is exactly the same price as the Hongkong rice which the Settlement authorities are shipping to Shanghai. Recent reports indicated that profiteers in Wusih were as bad as those in Shanghai, necessitating the Magistrate to take such a step. Severe punishment has been promised for those who sell rice beyond the official price.

Refugee Passenger Missing From Ship

Believed to Have Been Lost Overboard

Mystery surrounds the strange disappearance of Minna Grann, 27, Jewish refugee and one of nine refugee passengers in the ss. Taiyo Maru, who failed to land when the vessel docked here yesterday. She was reported missing 34 hours prior to the arrival of the ship. It is feared that she had jumped overboard in a fit of depression owing to difficulties connected with her residence in Hongkew.

The vessel stopped after the passenger was reported missing and the vicinity was scoured for several hours for her without result. It was learned that although she had a landing permit, she had not succeeded in securing a permit to live in Hongkew.

More than 2,000 European Jewish refugees mostly from Soviet occupied Poland and Lithuania, it was learned, are now in Japan, awaiting visas to proceed to other ports. About 300 of the number is believed to have secured the necessary sanction from the British authorities to go to Palestine.

Fire Department Issues Report for April

Damage caused in the Settlement by fire during April was estimated to have amounted to $157,594 and $240,740 for the special rated area according to a report of the Settlement Fire Brigade for the past month, which was issued yesterday.

One life was lost and 21 persons were injured by fire during the month under review. During the month the Brigade responded to 103 fire alarms including seven emergency calls. No less than 606 calls were received for emergency ambulance service and 660 patients were conveyed to hospital.

More U.S. Troops Arrive In Philippines

Manila, May 8.

The U.S. Army transport Washington arrived here today representing the second strengthening of the Philippine garrison within a few weeks.

Army officials declined to comment but it was reported that approximately 2,000 soldiers, plus an undisclosed number of planes, arrived.—United Press.

Poverty in War Torn Chekiang

Looting After Japanese Retirement by Desperate Chinese Poor

Reports published by the leading Chinese dailies in Shanghai reflect the great difficulties which both the Japanese and Chinese are undergoing in both the newly-occupied districts in east Chekiang and those districts in the same province just retaken by the Chinese, primarily for the reason that poverty has driven the people to desperation to such a degree that extensive looting has taken place in both kinds of war-torn districts which were once prosperous. After recapturing Wenchow, Yungchia, Shuian, Sungmen and Haimen, the reports now claim that Chuki or Chuchi is expected to be retaken, asserting that the situation is turning in China's favour. Telegraphic communication between Shanghai and Wenchow has just been resumed.

Quoting war refugees arriving in Shanghai, the reports say that although the rich and well-to-do had fled before the Japanese arrived in Ningpo, numerous household articles and goods in shops and residences were stolen by the poor who could not afford to travel to places of safety. The price of rice is quoted at between $160 and $170 per picul, which is much higher than the price quoted in Shanghai. Street lights and telephone facilities have been restored but the problem of the livelihood is becoming increasingly serious.

Owing to fierce fighting which took place between Yuhwang and Wenchow prior to the occupation of the latter district, all villages in the vicinity of these two districts are said to have been totally or partially wiped out and pillaging has taken place in many places, especially in Yungchia where all native goods companies and godowns have been ransacked by the poor during the transition period between the Japanese occupation and re-entry of the Chinese army into the district. Chinese authorities are carrying out relief measures.

Bombers Sentenced

Charged with attempting to bomb the Shui Kee Flour Shop at 122 North Chekiang Road on March 24, Tseng Hui-li was sentenced to six months' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court. The sentencing of Tseng wrote finish to a wave of criminal activities directed against the management of the shop, whose manager the gang once failed to kidnap.

Three threatening letters were later addresssd to the manager demanding $1,500,000. The criminals were on the verge of obtaining a big sum of money which the manager was alleged to be willing to pay when the ringleader suddenly decided to press for his original demand. He sent two men carrying a bomb to the shop. Covered with a sheet of newspaper, the missile was tossed into the shop but fortunately it did not explode. A hot chase resulted in Tseng being arrested.

20 Kidnappers Rounded Up

Central Station, Western Police Co-operate; More Arrests Expected

Working swiftly with the co-operation of the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force, detectives from Central station yesterday arrested twenty Chinese, among them six women, responsible for several cases of kidnapping in the International Settlement. Although no firearms had been found, detectives believed that they would find them in the course of investigations. More arrests will, it is also believed, be effected in the near future.

Some time ago, it was revealed yesterday, detectives received information that a gang of kidnappers was hiding in a straw hut village off Robison Road. Preparations were planned and the first raid on the village was made shortly after midnight yesterday, when a party of S.M.P. and W.S.A.S.P.F. raided a hut where they found several persons, asleep and without the least suspicion that their hide-out had been discovered by the police.

These men were taken back to the station and information obtained from them allowed the police to carry out several more raids and to arrest fourteen men and six women. All the criminals, it was said, were asleep when cornered by the detectives and none offered any resistance.

The raids lasted almost eight hours and the last person to be arrested was brought to the station shortly after 8 a.m. yesterday. The apprehension of this gang brought the number of criminals arrested by the Central station to 31 within a week, as another gang, specializing in armed robberies, had been taken into custody on Saturday night and Sunday morning.

It was revealed yesterday that a great number of criminals, from petty thieves to kidnappers and murderers, had found the straw hut villages in the Western district of Shanghai good places to hide. The co-operation of W.S.A.S.P.F. with the Shanghai Municipal Police, however, is expected to put an end to this.

Although the exact number of kidnapping cases had not been determined yesterday, it was said that the gang had participated in numerous crimes in the Settlement. Their activities in the Concession, although nothing is known of them at present, may also be brought to light in the course of investigations.

Court Officials Again Threatened

Procedure Carried Out Despite Menace

In addition to attempts made during the past few weeks by political terrorists to assassinate or kidnap judges of the First Special District Court and Third Branch Kiangsu High Court, the only Chungking courts operating in Shanghai today within the Settlement, threatening letters have again been sent to minor court officials and employees asking them to quit their jobs within a week. Despite the threats, however, they carried out their duties as usual yesterday.

So many judges have been attacked or killed and so many threats have now been received by the Chungking judges that most of the intended victims and their families have moved into the compound of the District Court (Criminal Branch) in North Chekiang Road. Yesterday all civil and criminal cases were tried by the two branches of the District Court in Weihaiwei Road and North Chekiang Road respectively, but the police used more care in admitting persons into the courts.

Malay Iron Ore Exports To Japan Questioned

"A Matter of Business" Says Japanese Official

Singapore, May 8.

"Japan is exporting iron ore from Malaya as a matter of simple business in a peaceful way," declared Mr. Ken Tsurumi, the Japanese Consul-General for Singapore, when asked regarding the situation following the questions raised recently in the House of Commons. "Malaya stands to benefit commercially to a considerable degree," added Mr. Tsurumi.

A question which was asked in the House by Sir George Broadbridge requested the British Government to state whether it was aware that the states of Trengganu and Kelantar were sending regular shipments of iron ore to Japan and, in view of the fact that Japan had joined the Axis alliance, whether steps would be taken.

The British Government was understood to be studying the whole question. The House of Lords discussed the question of exports from the Dominions a few days previously, and the Government stated it was for each Dominion Government to determine the conditions on which it would permit the export of raw materials.

Japan took nearly 2,000,000 tons of iron ore from Malaya last year. "Of the supplies of iron ore taken to Japan, the entire amount goes for peaceful consumption in our country," asserted Mr. Tsurumi.—Reuter.

British Holdings Bill Approved

Power to Lend Dollars Against Assets

Washington, May 8.

The House of Representatives Banking and Currency Committee yesterday approved a bill to permit the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to forestal distress in liquidation of British holdings by lending dollars against assets.

Experts said the bill would give the Government authority to acquire control of British assets in Latin America, if necessary. Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce and R.F.C. Chairman, estimated British holdings in Latin America total US$4,000,000,000.—United Press.

Transocean Heads Held In United States

Washington, May 8.

The United States Attorney General, Mr. Robert Jackson, yesterday ordered Mr. Manfred Zapp, head of Transocean News Service in the United States and Mr. Gunther Tonn, also connected with the agency, held on Ellis Island for deportation.

Both German news agency men previously had been indicted by a grand jury for failing to register as foreign agents.—United Press.

Heroin Smokers Jailed

Found guilty of smoking heroin in a house in Chengtu Road, Pai Ching-wei and Yang Feng-chuen were each sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court.

Settlement Fireman Injured in Blaze

Machines from Hongkew Called Out to Chapei; Two Fires Fought

Fireman No. 34 was injured at a fire at the China Ping Pong Ball Factory at 458 North Kiangse Road shortly after 6 a.m. yesterday and was conveyed to the Police Hospital, suffering from severe burns to both hands and face. His condition, however, was not considered serious.

The celluloid factory went up in flames at 5.40 a.m. and at the same time Hongkew station machines were busy putting out a fire on Chao Tung Road in Chapei. The remaining engines from the station, augmented by those from Central station, responded to the alarm, arriving at the scene of the blaze soon after the call had been put through to the S.F.B. Headquarters.

The fire started on the upper floors of the building, and spread quickly to the other floors of the factory. The inflammable material stored at the factory made the work of the firemen exceedingly difficult. A water tower was put into use by the firemen and the flames were put under control within 21 minutes, although the fire was only extinguished by 7.50 a.m. In addition to the heavy damages to the factory, the roofs of two adjoining houses were slightly burned.

The Chapei fire, although claiming no victims, was far more serious and firemen from the Hongkew station worked for four and a half hours before they could extinguish the flames. The fire broke out at the Shanghai Railway Branch godown, occupied by the Nippon Tsuun Kaisha to store kerosene, silk and various cosmetic and medicinal goods.

Although the alarm had been given at 2.54 a.m., it was not until 3.07 a.m. that the firemen could find the scene of the blaze. They found the godown surrounded by a corrugated iron wall and they had to cut their way in to bring the flames under control. This was done only after 51 minutes work and not until a large quantity of goods stored there had been badly damaged.

It was only at 7.22 a.m. that the last fireman left the scene of the blaze. The roof of an adjoining building was also damaged by the flames.

British Auxiliary Sunk

London, May 8.

The British auxiliary cruiser H.M.S. Patia of 5,355 tons, has been sunk by German planes, it was announced here yesterday.—United Press.

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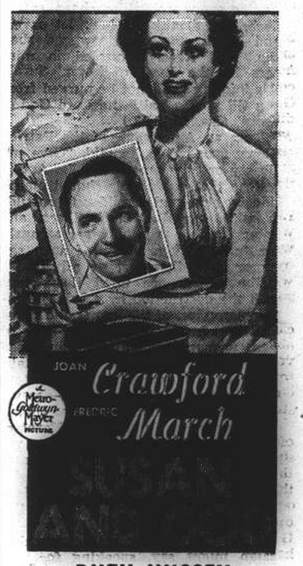
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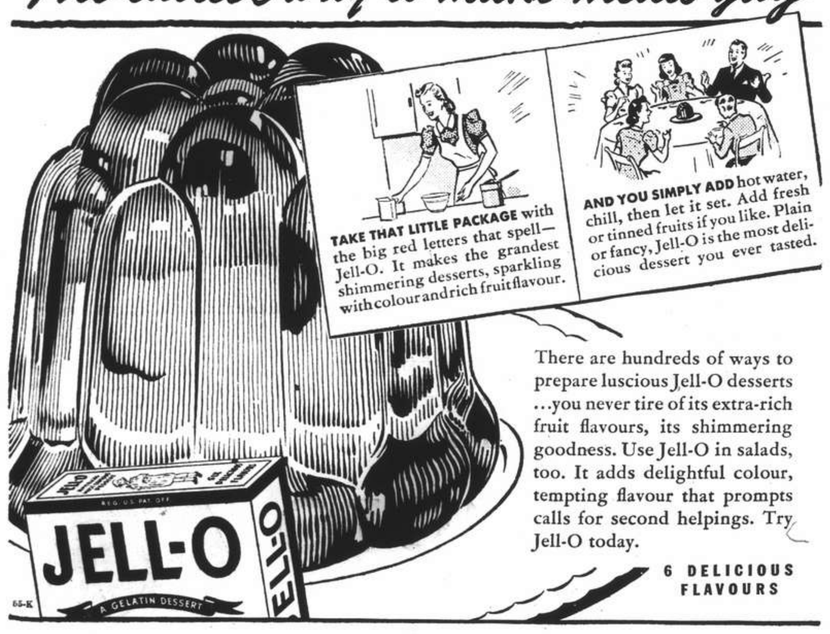
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Some Questions:

By Mr. Chas. W. Rankin

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—God created the heavens and the earth, and they, and the men and women on the earth are his, and they should show their wisdom by recognizing that fact, and by honouring him in their daily lives.

But the so-called Christian nations, even England and America, have gone far away from God, in Church and State.

Under such conditions, as I understand the teachings of the Bible, God punishes, just as in Bible history and even down to today, he punished and is punishing the Jews. When, in the Bible history, God was punishing the Jews, and was desiring that they should through their punishment, recognize their wrong-doings and repent, Isaiah the prophet wrote, "In that day did the Lord God of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth: and behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for tomorrow we shall die. And it was revealed in mine ears by the Lord of hosts. Surely this iniquity shall not be purged from you till ye die, saith the Lord God of hosts" (Isa. 22:12-13.)

I am an American,—of the Patrick Henry type when he said, "Give me liberty or give me death." And I believe that our people should march side by side, and shoulder to shoulder, with our British brothers and sisters in this present great struggle for our freedom. What I now say comes from that sort of a heart.

The papers are filled these days with the destruction by a cold, heartless marauder, of the homes and cities of England, and of countless lives of men, women, and children, in those homes and cities. We of Great Britain know a little something of the terrible struggle of our own,—brave, gallant, faithful soldiers on the plains of Thessaly, at Dunkirk, in Norway. And with this our own suffering we know of that also of gallant Greece, of Yugoslavia, of Rumania, Bulgaria, Belgium, France, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Poland! What a list of the wronged and oppressed!

Is not this a time, again, of which Isaiah might say, speaking for our God, "In that day did the Lord God of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth?" Yet,—in the utmost kindness I ask it,—what with our days of racing, and the attendant sweeps, and betting, and gambling,—with our general spirit exhibited here, both as English and American, should it not be concluded, "Behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine?"

Are we not failing to show ourselves men and women of deep spiritual sensibilities and true manhood and worth, when with the deep-drawn moans of the wounded and dying, men, women, and children, and brave soldiers, in our ears, as they give all for the defence of our homeland, we here can play,—and play, too, in a way that is distinctly an offense and an affront to the God who created us, and whose we are? If we win this war,—and God grant that we may, we will need more than the help of America. We will need the help of the Lord of hosts. Shall we not live before him as becomes his humble, repentant, and faithful children?

CHAS. W. RANKIN.

Shanghai, May 7.

Hitler's Speech:

Significant Omission

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—On Sunday evening the German Fuhrer addressed a special meeting of the Reichstag. His speech was broadcast, not only to the German people, but to the whole world. Its text was available to people in Shanghai and is now no doubt familiar to them.

A few weeks ago, Mr. Matsuoka, Foreign Minister of Japan, a country which is bound to Germany by the Tripartite Pact, spent fourteen days in travelling six thousand miles with a suite of eighteen officials to pay a ceremonial visit to the head of the German state. It was a visit, surely, without precedent in Japanese history.

The Fuhrer dwelt upon many topics in his recent long speech—on the origin of the war, on the campaign in the Balkans, on the future of National-Socialism and on the policy of the United States. He paid warm tributes to his ally, Italy. But he included no reference to the recent visit paid him by Mr. Matsuoka nor did he make any mention whatsoever of Japan.

I feel that the Shanghai public would appreciate it if any of your Japanese readers, official or unofficial, would elucidate this point.

A SINCERE ENQUIRER.

Shanghai, May 7.

The Horn Menace:

Worse in Summer Time

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In most large cities of the world the use of the horn is forbidden after it has become dark and is substituted by light-signals. By day excessive hooting is being prosecuted by the police. By far fewer accidents have occurred after this decree has come into force.

Since here in Shanghai we are compelled to sleep with the windows open, especially during the hot summer months, the aforesaid measure will have a pretty good effect on the tormented nerves of the residents.

DR. A. HALPERN.

Shanghai, May 2.

War:

And its Inconveniences

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Before I begin this dissertation on the inconveniences of war I should like to inform you how much I and numerous other subscribers to your paper enjoy the letters, now published as leaders, by O. M. GREEN. It is always a pleasure to read his remarks on life in England as seen by a former resident of Shanghai, as he seems to know by intuition the sort of news we wish to hear during these hectic times.

It was, therefore, with a good deal of surprise that I read his leader published in your paper of April 27 about the difficulty of obtaining the brands of cigarettes and tobacco Londoners want and his final remarks "but if the Government do not want to lose the war they will really have to do something about it." I cannot but think that MR. GREEN when he wrote this last sentence, but if he was really serious, then all I can say is that England must have changed since I last visited London.

When it is thoroughly analysed, what is smoking and why is it so necessary to man's existence? I, personally, gave up the habit (and it is only a habit) many years ago and have, am sure, benefited in many ways in consequence thereof. I know I shall bring down the sneers and catcalls of thousands of adherents of the weed in all its forms, but how often has one heard the remark "I wish I could give up smoking." One reads in the advertising columns of various magazines headings like this —"Tobacco habit conquered in three days," etc., etc." Why do Insurance Companies give a preferential rate to non-smokers? There must be a reason.

All over the world we are having meatless days and we still manage to survive. Why cannot we have cigaretteless days and thus gradually assist our country to carry less tobacco leaves and more of the actual necessaries of life? I cannot give statistics, but I am sure that if our tobacco consumption were cut in half a considerable saving in freight space would be achieved.

Another point in MR. GREEN'S leader is the scarcity of razor blades. I believe we are beginning to feel this shortage in Shanghai and I am going to put forward for the benefit of Shanghailanders a suggestion whereby the life of the ordinary razor blades can be considerably lengthened. When a new blade is taken from its paper cover it will be noted that the blade has a covering of grease which is placed there to keep the edge from becoming rusty. When on holiday by the seaside I have noticed that even the best type of blade will not last more than two or three days and I have found this is due entirely to the excessive humidity. To overcome this annoyance I have now adopted the following procedure. After shaving, take the blade out of its holder (I am thinking of the "Gilette" type of blade) and dry carefully on a cloth, then strop on the palm of the hand both edges of the blade, and whilst warm from the treatment place in a shallow vessel of oil so as to completely cover the blade. Employing this method I now get thirty to forty shaves out of a blade from which in the ordinary way, and leaving the blade exposed to the air, I used to get from three to seven.

I trust this little hint will assist local shavers to lengthen the life of their razor blades and so help to overcome one of the minor "inconveniences of the war."

NON-SMOKER.

Shanghai, May 3.

S.S.P.C.A. Quarters:

Co-ordinated Kindness

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—A few days ago a letter appeared in your columns signed DUMB DORA. It called attention to what appears to be a want of proportion in kindly endeavour. Its inner meaning did not appear to register with correspondents who replied indicating their sympathy for dumb animals.

There seems to be a question of taste about human sympathy, some preferring to bestow it on animals and other on human beings. In either case the cause is a good one.

The organization in the case of animals is more simplified. A telephone call to the S.S.P.C.A. headquarters is all that is needed in the case of an animal in distress, and the public can act without much difficulty.

Human beings in distress lie about the streets and are treated with complete indifference. The public doesn't quite know how to act and has to pass on, in time becoming callous about it.

Would it not be possible when the new S.S.P.C.A. Headquarters are established, to combine in it an arrangement enabling calls to be sent there about human beings in distress, so that the calls could be transmitted to the appropriate authority? Many people who hesitate to go to a police charge room or even identify themselves with police telephone calls, would not hesitate to send a message through to a central office as they do in the case of animals.

PRACTICAL.

Shanghai, May 8

CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 490

(By Arrangement with the "Daily Telegraph.")

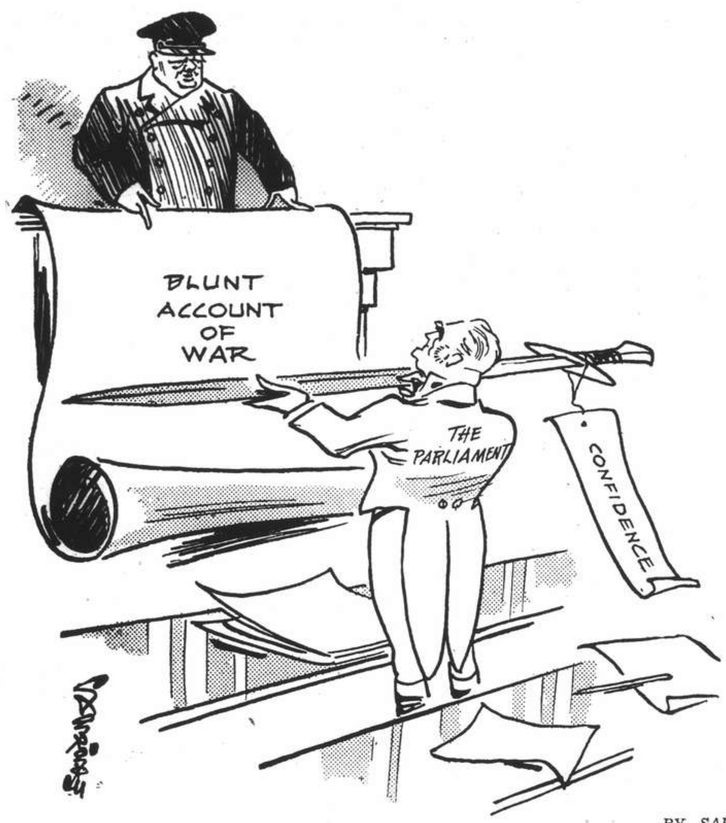
ACROSS

1 No, these help to make up an army, not to separate it (9)
8 "Tea-fight? Where?" (anag.) (13)
11 Not these are meant to give information (4)
12 The man who keeps this book is not necessarily selfish (5)
13 Some wood often seen with a ring in a ring (4)
16 A literary political weapon of former days (7)
17 Irish river (7)
18 With desire but probably unsatisfied (7)
20 One of the lynx family (7)
21 Perhaps a little letter or perhaps known by name of a letter (4)
22 The air in this musical composition is not entirely fresh (5)
23 In the forefront I am proud of myself (4)
26 Is this accusation concerned with shop prices? (13)
27 Good in high degree (9)

DOWN

2 This nation is almost crooning (4)
3 Describes the Peninsular War (7)
4 Direction for the locksmith to look for the seat of the trouble (7)
5 He should be a Scot (4)
6 The resolution that would sound to Sambo like the end (13)
7 The vacillation that one might expect to get from the butcher (three words —4, 3, 6)
9 Is it because it is fluctuating that the account is unsettled? (9)
10 Was this dress stiff because made of coir and linen? (9)
14 Poisonous state of an ox in pain (5)
15 This dog is used to mark the spot (5)
19 Cheese (7)
20 "To speak his thought is every freeman's right in peace, in war, in —— and the fight" (Pope) (7)
24 Precious stone (4)
25 The chief word for a sea (4)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS**: 1, Called up; 5, Smooth; 9, Take care; 10, Mining; 11, Long rope; 13, Stitch; 14, Exe; 16, Finnan; 19, Paragon; 20, Flight; 21, Ash; 26, Sherry; 27, Top score; 28, Oppose; 29, Claimant; 30, Titter; 31, Brand new. **DOWN**: 1, Cattle; 2, Liking; 3, Escort; 4, Unripe; 6, Maintain; 7, Omitting; 8, High hand; 12, Exhaust; 15, Vat; 16, Fop; 17, Off-shoot; 18, Nice spot; 19, Pharisee; 22, Howler; 23, Assign; 24, Domain; 25, Bestow.



BY SAPAJOU

As a Man to Man!

Dover Shelled by Nazi Guns

Eight German Craft Shot Down; British Squadron Destroys Four

London, May 8.

The Dover area was rocked by a brief but vicious burst of shelling by German long-range guns mounted on the French coast. The bombardment began at sunset, with salvoes at intervals of several minutes. The shell-fire warning sounded. Cinema audiences ran for cover, and one shell burst overturned a car, which caught fire. Two people were killed and 12 injured.

Anti-aircraft guns fired on Messerschmitts spotting for the German artillery. One Messerschmitt spiralled down out of control and is believed to have crashed in mid-Channel.

Eight enemy aircraft were destroyed in daylight yesterday.

There was considerable enemy activity off the south-east coast, when in a series of dogfights British fighters shot down six enemy fighters and severely damaged a number of others. One Spitfire squadron got four of them in three different fights off the north-east coast yesterday evening. Two British fighters are missing.

German raiders were reported over widespread parts of Britain after dark last night, including a town in west England.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MAY 9, 1871

That match at bowls ended yesterday, after a close fight, in favour of the Juniors, who won five games out of eight. In the first game on the Junior Alleys the Seniors were nowhere, the second they lost by only 1 pin, the third by 15, and the fourth they won by 13. The Seniors scored the greater number of pins, totalling 5,822 against the Juniors' 5,727.

Dardanelles Barred to Foreign Warships

Berlin Says Turks Adhere To Obligations

Berlin, May 8.

The question of the Dardanelles has so far not led to any complications, says a semi-official statement issued yesterday, nor has there been any change relating to the Montreux Convention.

Turkey had adhered rigidly to her obligations and not allowed the passage of warships through the straits or their use as a naval base, the German statement adds.—Reuter.

President Completes Tour

London, May 8.

Gen. Ismet Inoenue, President of Turkey, has returned to Ankara from a tour of the western provinces, says an Ankara despatch quoted by the German news agency.—Reuter.

Communications Cut From Syria

No Messages to Turkey For Two Days

Istanbul, May 6.

Telephone and telegraphic communications between Turkey and Syria have been out off for the past two days.

Travellers from Syria reported much unrest among the Arabs, since the start of the British-Iraqi conflict. A number of students in Syria have been arrested for instigating and leading riots, the travellers said.—United Press.

President Roosevelt Recovering

Washington, May 8.

President Roosevelt, who became indisposed and developed a slight temperature on Tuesday, was stated to be much better yesterday, but his doctor had advised him to stay indoors for two more days.—Reuter.

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2.30 Dance Music
3.30 Woman and Home
4.30 Chinese Programme
5.00 "The Foundations of Chinese Music," by Professor Wei Chung-loh
7.30 French News and Commentary
7.45 Light Music
8.00 **Relay of B.B.C. News and Talk (Conditions Permitting)**
8.30 "Cabbages and Kings" — **Noel Abbott's Programme**
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9.20 "Weekly Commentary," by Alfred Morley
9.30 **"The War For Freedom" A history of the war in radio drama. Part 1.—September 1939 to May 1940.**
10.00 The London Piano Accordeon Band
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11.10 Peter Adam's German Programme
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7.45 Music by Russian composers.
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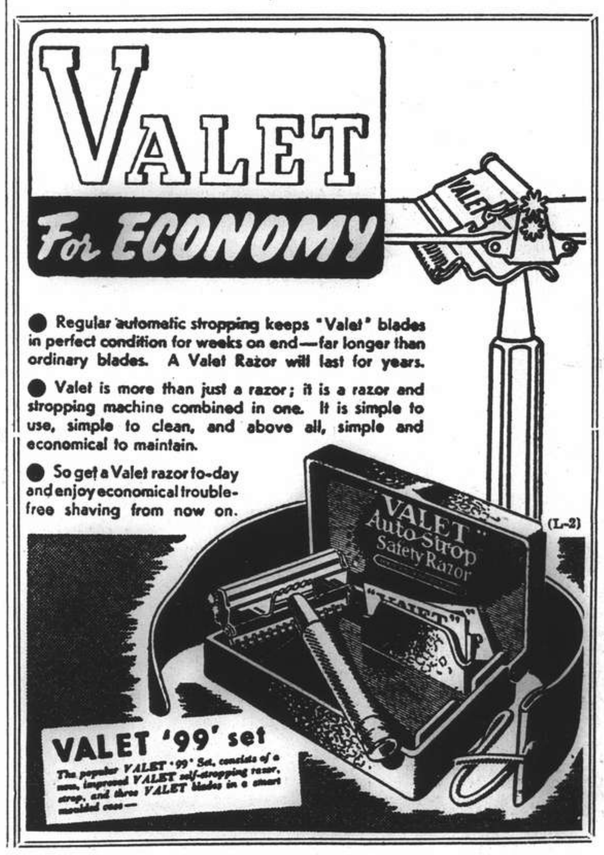
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IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

THE WAR DEBATE

When the House of Lords unanimously passed the vote of confidence in Mr. Winston Churchill's Government, and the House of Commons did so with only three dissentients, a striking display of solidarity was given. The legislature as well as the country is firmly behind the Prime Minister and the determination to prosecute this war to a successful conclusion has in no way been modified by the declarations of Mr. Churchill. Comparing the debates in the two houses with the recent session of the Reichstag the world at large can observe the vast difference between the democratic system of Great Britain, with liberty of speech and criticism, and the tyranny of the Nazis who brook neither. Hitler merely harangues his listeners with an enormous number of ridiculous statements, which they have to hear in silence. Any attempt to debate his conduct of the war would indeed be the precursor of that revolution with which this war will in all probability end. Free debate and criticism is the last thing which the dictatorial system can afford to tolerate; it must be regarded at all times as completely infallible.

From the lengthy reports of the speeches which have come to hand, it can be seen that such a debate as this can only be carried on under very well understood limitations. The most obvious one is that nothing should be said which might be of any assistance whatever to the enemy, and because of this the Government is necessarily hampered in making out its case. That Mr. Churchill made out a good one is clear; that Mr. Eden also defended his policy to good effect is also amply demonstrated, and, taking the speeches of the two statesmen together, the conclusion to be drawn is that despite the manner in which they were obviously hampered they succeeded in making out a convincing case. That is the significance of the practically unanimous vote in the Commons.

The statements of the Prime Minister, and Mr. Eden with regard to Greece, and Iraq indicate that the suspicions as to the efficiency of the British intelligence service are not well founded. As far as the German invasion of the Balkans is concerned the British Government had ample forewarning. The high command made the best dispositions it could considering the resources at its disposal. With regard to Iraq the Foreign Office was equally alert, requesting that forces should be sent to that country long before there was any imminent danger of the *coup d'état*. It was not militarily feasible to do so at the time, and the blame for earlier action not having been taken cannot rest upon the Foreign Office. Nevertheless, Mr. Churchill did admit that mistakes had been made, notably in Cyrenaica. It is clear that that province was much too lightly held. But mistakes are made in all wars. The Germans made their greatest in this when they failed to strike at Great Britain after Dunkirk, when with a completely unprepared Britain the chances of a successful invasion were at their highest. The fact that the Government has not replaced General Sir Archibal Wavell is not only a sign of their confidence in him, but of their recognition of the fact that he did the best possible having regard to all the circumstances. These have apparently been considerably improved since the withdrawal from Greece, and the steady arrival of reinforcements in Egypt. Mr. Churchill has revealed that there are now half a million men under General Wavell, very many more than when the Italians were so splendidly dealt with, and a steady concentration in Egypt is becoming possible by the liquidation of Italian resistance in Abyssinia, Africa and the Somalilands. There is consequently good reason to regard the future developments in the eastern Mediterranean with a quiet confidence as to the ultimate outcome.

Mr. Churchill in winding up the debate posed as no confirmed optimist. He did not attempt in any way to paint a picture in rosy tints, but rather put the whole case in terms of the completest sanity. "I have never underrated our problems and dangers." he said. "We are fighting for our life and survival from day to day and hour to hour. But Hitler has his problems too, and if we only remain united and strive together like one great family, helping each other as five million families in Britain are doing today under enemy fire, I cannot conceive how anyone can doubt that victory will crown the cause which we serve." Then there is his peroration: "When I look back on the perils which we have overcome, and remember all that has gone wrong, and also all that has gone right, I feel sure we have no need to fear the tempest. Let it roar. Let it rage. We shall come through." There is great comfort in those words simply because of their stark truth.

LOUDE SING CUCKOO

Tuesday, it might be remarked in passing, was the commencement of summer. It is of interest because it follows that the Spring race meeting, which has not yet ended is at any rate this year somewhat misnamed. That, however, will not worry those who have nearly finished the wild semi-annual flutter on the ponies. They have a greater grief than the mere advent of summer, for all those who did not hold the winning ticket in the Champions sweepstake have got to go back to work for another six months, until chill autumn again reseats the goddess of chance in her throne. Somebody, somewhere, has already forecast that next month will be warm and damp. That type of prophecy is just as easy as that which enables soothsayers to inform their clients that it will be dark on Sunday night. But the harbingers of summer have already been noticed. The swallow has arrived—meaning, of course, the ornithological specimen and not the act of ingestion which is always here,—and the note of the Indian cuckoo has been heard in the land. It is to be noticed that summer came to Shanghai like a thief in the night for Tuesday was as unpleasant a day as could be wished for, on the cold side and somewhat damp. Wednesday was a little better, while yesterday was still more so. But despite the Chinese calendar, despite the swallow, despite the Indian cuckoo, this summer up to the present is still remarkably springlike.

That may mean much or nothing. But the time is surely coming when the great heat will descend upon this part of the world, when the oft-repeated phrase "It is not the heat but the humidity" will fall from a thousand lips as if some fine new discovery had just been made. Perhaps it is said so often because humanity finds some slight comfort in the admission of an ineluctable fact. So it will soon be not the heat but the humidity which will matter. It is somewhat of a pity that no poet has sought to do justice to Shanghai under the influence of summer. Perhaps that is because it is not altogether a pleasant subject. Yet one Thomson does not do at all badly in verse which to some extent might be applied to this port:

All-conquering Heat, O, intermit thy wrath!
And on my throbbing temples potent thus,
Beam not so fierce! Incessant still you flow,
And still another fervent flood succeeds,
Poured on the head profuse. In vain I sigh,
And restless turn, and look around for night;
Night is far off; and hotter hours approach.

It will be noticed that he has done full justice to the heat, but has left out the humidity, and consequently the application is not quite so complete as could be desired. Then, of course, so far as Shanghai is concerned, he is all wrong about sighing for night to come. A correspondent in another column touchingly refers to summer nights, when sleepers with open bedroom windows will be harassed by the unseemly sound of the motor horn. The authorities promise that before the real heat has arrived something will be done to reduce the noise made by motor horns. But this comforting assurance should not be accepted too literally. There will still be motor horns, and fiends to play upon them, and, while the cacophony will, it is promised, be less, it will be there to rend the quietness of the still hot night.

Then there will also be that lovable little creature the mosquito. Apart from the affectionate interest she is apt to take in really trying to get beneath the human skin, there is also her pleasant note. How many a human this summer will be lulled into wakefulness by her song as she goes about her work of spreading joy and pleasure throughout the dark hours? How many sleepers will turn on their dampened pillows murmuring benisons upon that pleasant little creature? Not many it is to be feared. Much has been said of man's ingratitude to man, but it is as nothing compared with man's ingratitude to the mosquito. Just think of it. Health departments spend much money to exterminate a minute insect who only asks to live and let live. Thousands of people seek to suffocate it with obnoxious incense until indeed it becomes plain that the mosquito is regarded as a veritable Ishmael amongst insects. Then there will be the itinerant food seller, who, as he passes up one alley and down another, proclaims his coming with strokes on a musical piece of bamboo, as if announcing that Pippa passes and all's well with the world. There are these and other pleasures to be anticipated during the summer which is now here, and if there is any reader who does not realize that this, as Artemus Ward would say, is "rote Sarcastikul" he will indeed be suffering from a bad case of mid-summer madness long before his time.

Italian Empire Day

Today is Italian Empire Day, the date of the official inauguration of the formal Italian rule of Abyssinia. That rule no longer exists. Nor does that empire. On this day the world can be reminded of the significance of the declaration made by the Rome government when it took over its slice of former Yugoslavia, that the area was to be incorporated into the "kingdom" of Italy, not the "empire." Though at that time the Italians had regained their control of Albania through German assistance, and had, along with the German troops and with the help of German tanks, swept back over the territory in Libya the British had conquered, there was enough realism left among the Fascists to enable them to realize that it would be idle for them to claim control of an empire which was being fought for between the Germans and the British, with the Italians themselves playing a minor role as supporters of the Germans. Today the fate of Libya can be regarded as in the balance. Ethiopia, Italian Somaliland, and Eritrea have been lost. Whether they will ever be regained by the Italians depends not so much upon the efforts put forth by Mussolini's hordes as upon the success won by the Germans against the British. And this success seems at the present to be more than problematical. It is, therefore, likely that the celebrations of today's anniversary will be observed only in a minor key. It is more than likely that one or other of those egregious publicists, Signors Gayda or Ansaldo, will come out today with some flamboyant announcement of the triumph of Mussolini's arms. The statements of both gentlemen have, however, for so long been tainted with falsehood that it will be doubtful whether even the Italian people will believe them. As for the Germans, who have been seriously embarrassed by the unexpected inefficiency of their partner in the Axis, they will doubtless receive the claims with the scorn that they deserve. The record of the so-called Italian empire is a grim one. What did Mussolini, the self-styled "Protector of Islam" do to the natives of Libya, all good Mohammedans? The story of the Italian rule in that province is one of the utmost cruelty and oppression. None of the improvements which Italy designed in that colony was planned for the benefit of the natives. Instead, these natives were forcibly removed from their holdings, so that these holdings could be made available for unwilling colonists from Italy itself. The slightest sign of opposition was visited with the most condign punishment. The result was that a fear and hatred of the Italians was sown throughout that part of the Moslem world, which only liberal bribery of the most venal elements could conceal. The spontaneous rise of an Abyssinian "patriot" movement on the British invasion of that country is alone testimony to the hatred felt there against Italian rule. The Italian use of mustard and other gases against the comparatively unarmed Ethiopians, the atrocious slaying of between two and six thousand Abyssinians by Marshal Graziani in revenge for an attempt at bombing of his headquarters, are not forgotten. Let Italians today sing the praises of their empire, but let them sing with the remembrance that they have to thank a man, Hitler, who is dreaming of a world empire for himself, for the temporary preservation of what little has been left to them of the territory which Mussolini had grabbed from the defenceless and had so grandiosely named.

STRAY NOTES

April 30.—One of the questions which comes most frequently to those of us who are supposed to be versed in bird lore is "*Why do birds frequent our gardens?*" Or, to put it the other way round, "Would not birds be much better off, out in the country, instead of hanging round houses where cats and human enemies abound?" The answer to all such queries is of considerable interest, and might well fill a book: it includes, in fact, the history of all living things since man first lit a fire and lived beneath a roof. It is easy to say that men, liking the sight and sound of birds, provide them with food: that does not take us far; for in the most poverty-stricken country where not one grain of food can be given away, you will find that birds gather round the habitations of men for no easily apparent reason. Do birds like men? Have they some secret admiration for the giants who walk upon two feet just as they themselves do when they are earthbound? That the answer is in the negative you may quickly find if you will but walk out into your garden when the birds are hunting on your lawn. The true answer must be that birds favour the habitations of man because they get either or both of two things from him: food and shelter: the warmth and waste products of human abodes promotes the breeding of insects for such birds as the Swallows: gardens and lawns provide seeds for the grain-eaters, fat worms for the meat-eaters and oddments for the omnivorous. Shelter is most important, but shelter plus warmth is better still: the Magpies roost round the chimneys (and decorate them with twigs to make them seem more homely!) sparrows roost in the gutters (and note that there is always one black sparrow in a flock—this being the one that gets the dirtiest end of the gutter). If you have walked the London streets at sundown you may have seen the starlings coming in by millions to roost in the shelter of the walls of all our greatest museums and art-galleries. Shelter and warmth are probably more important than food—as witness the London sparrows, which lost their livelihood with the coming of motor-cars, but which still stuck to the cities.—E.S.W.

INK AND PAPER PORTRAIT

Boy's Toy Main Factor Towards Career

When I was eight years old my father took title to a Self-Inker Printing Press and a font type. The press cost $7.50 and the type $1.10. These details, from the receipted bill in my father's file, are of no conceivable interest to anyone else, but to me they are of a degree of concern bordering upon the super-colossal, for that press determined the whole course of my life, writes H. L. Mencken in "Happy Day." Because of it, I got the smell of printer's ink up my nose at a tender age, and it has been swirling through my sinuses ever since.

On Christmas Day my father undertook to show me how to work it. Inasmuch as he knew no more about printing than Aristotle, and had so little manual dexterity that he could hardly lace a shoe, he made a ghastly mess of it. Before he gave it up as a bad job all the ink had been slathered away and half the type had been broken.

Next morning I went to work to scrub the ink off and make [illegible] I had almost as little skill with my hands as my father, so it was New Year's Day [illegible] succeeded. My cash takings, that Christmas, had been excellent: something on the order of $2. I bought a new can of ink and a font of roman type, caps only. With the press there had come Black Letter and Script, so I now had enough faces to begin printing on a commercial scale. A few days later I was ready with the following announcement: "H. L. Mencken—card printer. 1524 Hollins St., Baltimore, Md."

Up to this time I had always written my name "Henry L." The change to "H. L." was not due to any feeling that the form better became the dignity of a businessman, but simply to the fact that my father had smashed all my Black Letter lower-case r's, and I had to cut my coat to fit my cloth.

So far as I can remember, my father was my only customer. As he set off to the annual delirium of a Knights Templar convention, I applied for and got the contract for printing his fraternal *cartes de visite*, which members exchanged when they happened to be thrown together in the saloons of the convention town. My father professed to be delighted with the cards. I charged him 8½ cents a dozen, including Masonic emblems put in by hand and hand-coloured.

Advertising Campaign Launched

In a little while I was branching out. I issued a circular offering to print advertising, and also launched a newspaper in rivalry to the celebrated "Sunpaper," the news Bible in every respectable Baltimore household. I never got any orders for advertisements. I solicited my mother's trade, but she replied coldly that she was not in any commercial business. I also solicited my younger brother Charlie, but he was still practically illiterate and had difficulty in distinguishing without illustrative woodcuts, between the words cat and rat. He was also poor in those days, and much preferred to lay out what money he had on black licorice nigger-babies.

The newspaper I set up against the "Sunpaper" was doomed from the start, for it was afflicted by every malady a public journal can suffer from, insufficient capital, incomplete news service, no advertising, and a press that couldn't print it. It consisted of four pages, printed on scraps of wrapping paper filched from the hired girl's hoard in the kitchen. Having no news service of my own, I lifted all my dispatches out of my rival, usually selecting the briefest of its late bulletins. Thus the foremost important news item I printed was this: "Berlin, Mar. 9.—William I is dead, aged 91." This came out in my paper a week after the "Sunpaper" had made it known to the rest of the community.

That printing press remained my favourite possession for several years. Though my type gradually wore out to the point where all the letters printed like squashed o's my enthusiasm for printing did not die. When I was eighteen, and free to choose my trade in the world, I chose newspaper work without hesitation, and I have never regretted my choice.

IN PARENTHESIS

Trying

Mrs. Knowitall: "It is best for a girl to marry an economical man, you know."

Daughter: "I dare say, mother. But it's awfully trying to be engaged to one."

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Shelter Conversation

"Pamela says she'll simply die if she can't have crêpes Suzette made with real eggs."

"Then Pamela will have to die, darling."

"Of course, if you can't have fish and meat you might as well drink yourself to death."

"It'll be fearfully grim if there's ever a shortage of aspirin."

"Why is it that almost every German airman has an Iron Cross?"

"They probably report back with a lot of lies, darling. As Germans are liars, they all get Iron Crosses."

"Margaret's mother is getting much better because she can't eat too much and doctors are too tired or busy to listen to her talking about her inside."

"Margaret's mother has the best known inside in London."

"They can't possibly expect an invasion, because Tony's been promised leave to play cricket for one of the counties in June."

"Nothing on earth will stop people playing cricket."

"Of course, George has written a marvellous sketch to amuse the troops, though I seem to have seen something like it somewhere."

"George was always full of other people's ideas."

"Is that one coming down?"

"Sounds like it, darling."

"Wallop. I say, somebody must have got a fourpenny one."

"Brenda's collecting money for some distressed children in Estonia now."

"Last week she was collecting money to feed dogs in Latvia. Who cares about dogs in Latvia?"

"I think she spends the money on drink."

"My husband says the Germans are ruthless sentimentalists."

"All sentimentalists are ruthless, darling. Everybody knows that."—Exchange.

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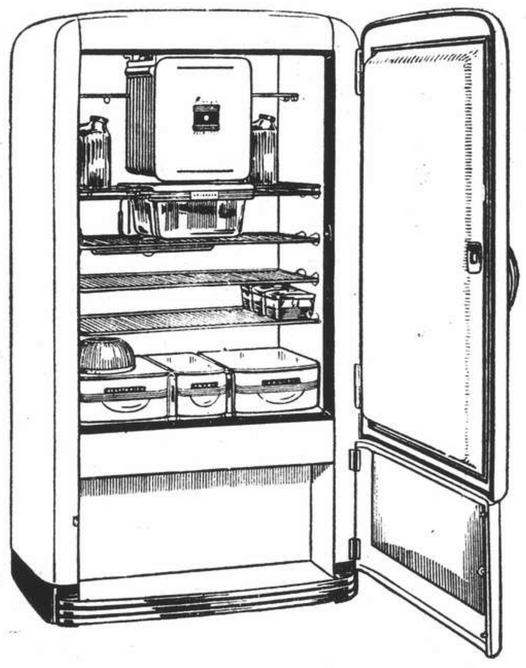

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Grudge Fights Feature of Tonight's Card at Dalo.

"Young" Dundee—Kulinberg Principals in Main Event with "Kayo" Tihanoff Battling Lewko

HAYMAKERS should fly "high, wide and handsome" tonight at the Dalo Swimming Pool, the venue of the Shanghai Sports Association's slugfest for which Hal P. Mills has signed up two "kayo" artists in Nagano and Tihanoff, a grudge fight "twixt Joe Clara and Baby Gourevitch, with a headliner featuring "Young" Dundee and "Killer" Kulinberg.

There is nothing more thrilling to fight fans than the handing of a ticket by one of the scrappers for "the short journey to slumberland," and judging from the array of talent signed up, the card promises to have the crowd keyed to fever pitch from the curtain-raiser.

Here's the official card duly signed and sealed:—

MAIN EVENT—10 ROUNDS
"Young" Dundee v. "Killer" Kulinberg.

SEMI-FINAL—8 ROUNDS
"Kayo" Nagano v. Young George.

SPECIAL EVENT—6 ROUNDS
"Kayo" Tihanoff v. Sam Iewko.
and
Joe Clara v. "Baby" Gourevitch.

4-ROUNDS BOUTS
Albert Souza v. Eddie Cruz.
Tiny Ling v. Don Batalina.
Typhoon Ling v. "Terrible" Tret.

The "idol of Tarlac" has a long lane to hoe if he intends to get back into the good graces of local fight fans. His press clippings are wonderful but he will have to substantiate his claim of being a "hitter" by demonstrating his wares tonight. In Kulinberg, he will find a clean and rugged fighter and should he be able to break the "jinx" which shadowed him in his scrap with "Happy" Welch, the welterweight champion, there might be a possibility of his having another crack at the crown.

"Knocker" Nagano is a newcomer to these shores and is reported as being a classy lightweight. His record shows a string of 11 consecutive victories over the "kayo" route back in 1939 in Japan. He has been pitted against Young George, a clever boxer with quite a record behind him. Although not a championship fight, it was learned that the winner will claim the lightweight championship. This should prove an interesting battle.

Tihanoff is the boy who will draw the crowd. Up against an experienced war-horse in Sam Lewko, who is also a glutton for punishment, the "budding Shelaieff" will be given the acid test. A knockout victory will settle all arguments as to the power behind that "left."

The Clara-Gourevitch is a grudge fight. The latter is still smarting under that "raw" decision handed him in his last scrap when the judges handed Clara the verdict on a platter. Clara, on the other hand, has surprised even his followers by giving the "elbow-lift" a miss for the past fortnight, something he has not done for the last two year.

Carson in the Running For Hungjao Golf Title

Despite the fact that "Tony" Ricketts is reputed to stand "head and shoulders" over the City's golfers the betting odds point to an outsider running off with the Hungjao Golf Club Championship, now in its third stage. Up to date, results have turned out as anticipated with the spotlight turned on he outcome of the Terrace—Carson match.

Carson's recent vacation in the Philippines and the experience gained in "big-time" golf gives him the edge. Terrace, however, is an experienced match player, capable of low scores under pressure who will be all-out to add the Hungjao Championship title to his bag.

Should Carson beat Terrace, and assuming that K. M. Cumming beats Gardener, Carson and Cumming will meet in the third round. Here again the chances are in favour of the former, but the result is by no means a certainty, as Cumming's game up to a yard off the pin can be excellent. His failure to hole very short putts has been his undoing.

In the lower half of the draw, Ricketts will find his main obstacles in W. E Hines and D. R. Glass, but should not experience anything like the difficulty Carson will have to reach the final bracket.

With all this, the age-worn adage bears repeating "there's many a slip between the cup and the lip" and, the fact that the tournament is under match-play conditions over 18 holes, anything can happen.

The results of the 1st and 2nd Rounds follow:—

T. S. M. Terrace beat K. E. Newman by 8 and 6.
K. M. Cumming beat S. Klotz, 2 and 1.
H. F. B. Gardener beat F. S. Gibbings at the 20th.
E. A. P. Wood beat F. A. Pollock, 2 and 1.
W. J. Hawkings beat J. K. P. Hadland, 2 up.
A. S. Adamson beat H. M. Little, 2 and 1.
C. W. Porter beat G. H. Mann at the 20th.
J. H. P. Perry beat H. R. Cleland, 4 and 3.
W. E. Hines beat K. B. Hill, 3 and 2.
A. Ricketts beat S. J. H. Fox, 6 and 4.
H. Laffond walk-over E. G. Smith-Wright.
D. R. Glass beat D. Ward-Smith, 3 and 2.
A. V. Pettitt beat A. Woods, 2 and 1.

Dodgers Clean Up Cardinals In Ninth Inning Rally

Bucky Walters Sets Back Giants, But Eddie Joost Steals Spotlight; School Boy Rowe Belted by Nats

New York, May 8.

LAUNCHING a ninth inning rally with two outs against them the Brooklyn Dodgers today pushed over the necessary two runs to defeat the St. Louis Cardinals 4 to 3.

The victory put the Dodgers within a half game of the League leading Cards and marked the second consecutive defeat for the St. Louis club.

Harry LaVagetto and Dolf Camilli started the ninth inning rally by getting walks. Fred Walker then poled out a sacrifice bunt to fill the bags. Jimmie Wasdell followed by getting a walk to force in the needed run to tie the score and then Camilli came home on a St. Louis error.

Cards Use Five Pitchers

The Dodgers collected lone runs in the first and eighth and the other two in the ninth. The Cards broke into the scoring column in the fifth and took the lead over in the seventh with a two run rally.

Eddie Joost Takes Spotlight

Bucky Walters added another victory to his growing list as the Cincinnati Reds nosed out the New York Giants 1 to 0. Walters allowed seven hits while Hal Schumacher, his mound opponent, held the Reds to five safeties.

Eddie Joost stole the spotlight by making nine assists and 10 put—outs during the game. There were only two outfield putouts throughout the game. The Reds made four double plays and Joost was in on all of them. The sensational Cincinnati infielder committed only one error out of 20 possible putouts and assists. The lone run of the game was scored in the first frame, and time after time Joost pulled Walters out of tough spots by his brilliant fielding.

The Boston Bees went into a tie with the Reds for fourth place by defeating the Pittsburgh Pirates 7 to 6. John Cooney, Bees outfielder, connected with three doubles and two singles to lead all batsmen. In the ninth inning, with the bases loaded and two away, Sam West slashed out a single which brought in two runs and broke up the game.

Fred Haney's St. Louis Browns won a 14 inning thriller from the Philadelphia Athletics by a 6 to 5 score in the feature game of the American League parley. The victory pulled the Browns almost out of the cellar, and they have a chance to climb out tomorrow when they again tangle with Connie Mack's club.

Haney threw three pitchers into the fray, with Bill Trotter finishing up the game and getting the credit for the victory. Johnny Knott and Ferrick worked on the mound for the losers.

Rowe Chased From Mound

"School boy" Rowe was chased from the mound as the Washington Senators defeated the Tigers 4 to 2. Rowe lasted until the sixth, after having allowed three scores. Sydney Hudson turned in a brilliant mound performance for the Senators, holding the Tigers to six scattered blows and lone runs in the fifth and seventh. The victory moved the Senators up to sixth place in the league standings.

Marius Russo was nicked for ten safeties but came through with another win to his credit as the New York Yankees downed the Cleveland Indians 7 to 5. Al Milner, Clint Brown and Harry Eisenstat worked on the mound for the losers. The big inning for the Yanks was the fourth, when they collected three scores. Single runs were pushed over in the second, fifth, eighth and ninth frames.

Red Sox Nose Out Chisox

Joe Cronin's Red Sox climbed into third place by nosing out the Chicago White Sox 4 to 3 in an extra inning game. Charlie Wagner bested John Rigney of Chicago in a pitcher's duel, but came close to losing as the Red Sox supplied him erratic support, committing three errors. Wagner yielded seven hits while the Boston Club connected with nine safeties. Boston piled up an early lead but the White Sox knotted the score in the sixth, and five innings went by before either team push over a run.

Box Scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	5	12	1
St. Louis (14 innings)	6	14	0
Batteries: Knott, Ferrick, Haves; Allen, Galehouse, Trotter, Swift, Grace.			
Boston	4	9	3
Chicago	3	7	0
Batteries: Wagner, Pytlak; Rigney, Tresh.			
New York	7	15	2
Cleveland	5	10	1
Batteries: Russo and Rosar, Dickey; Milner, Brown, Eisenstat, Hemsley.			
Washington	4	10	0
Detroit	2	6	1
Batteries: Hudson, Ferrell; Rowe, Trout, Giebell and Tebbetts.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati	1	5	1
New York	0	7	0
Batteries: Walters, Lombardi; Schumacher, Danning.			
Pittsburgh	6	10	1
Boston	7	11	0
Batteries: Bauers, Lanahan, Lanning and Lopez; Tobin, Berres.			
St. Louis	3	5	1
Brooklyn	4	7	1
Batteries: Warneke, Shoun, Hutchinson, Lanier, McGee and Cooper; Higbe, Brown and Owen.			
Chicago	11	18	1
Philadelphia	2	5	3
Batteries: Lee, McCullough; Crouch, Johnson, Hoerst, Podgajni, Warren.			

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	16	6	.727
New York	13	10	.565
Boston	10	8	.555
Detroit	11	9	.550
Chicago	10	9	.526
Washington	8	13	.381
Philadelphia	6	13	.316
St. Louis	5	11	.312

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	15	5	.750
Brooklyn	17	6	.739
New York	10	9	.555
Cincinnati	9	11	.450
Boston	9	11	.450
Pittsburgh	6	12	.333
Philadelphia	7	14	.333
Chicago	6	11	.316

—United Press.

Inter-Scholastic Meet Starts

BY "TRACKSTER"

Shanghai's embryo track and field stars started their bid for 1941 honours yesterday afternoon when the annual Inter-Scholastic Track and Field Meet got under way on the American School oval. Aspirants for this year's title preformed before a record crowd for the season as mothers, fathers, and youthful backers flocked to the scene of combat to cheer their favourites on to victory.

Heats in the 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash and the 440 yard run were held in all five classes, while preliminaries were also held in the high jump and broad jump in the "A", "B" and "C" classes.

The St. John's Middle School took the lead in the "A" class in both the track and field events by qualifying three men in the cinder path events and four in the field events. Despite their first day advantage, however, they are not figured to emerge victorious in this class as the SAS spiksters are picked to win this classification on the basis of their few but very capable entries in both the field and track events. The SFX squad is also to be watched as they have C. Edwards, who rates with the best of Shanghai's sprinters and jumpers. Edwards should walk away with the sprinting events, broad jump, and the hop step and jump. Worley of the SAS team will likely cop the other track events from the 440 to the mile.

The "B" classification found the Western District School taking the lead in the track events by qualifying no less than four men. St. John's Middle School placed four men in the trials in the field events to take the lead in this department. The SFX field men and the Western District squad were tied for second honours in the field events with three qualifying men each, while a three way tied between St. John's Middle School, SFX and PTH resulted in the trials in the "B" division track preliminaries as each placed two men.

The PTH spikesters took the lead in the "C" class track events when they placed three men in the trials in the 100 yard dash and the 440 yard run, with second honours split four ways. The field events in this class found the SFX jumpers tied with the Shanghai Jewish School lads with each squad placing three men in the trials held yesterday afternoon.

The SFX and the PTH cinder path artists ended in a tie in the D class with each school placing four men in the trials, with the Shanghai Jewish School squad taking second with two qualifying men. The PTH track men copped the lead in the "E" class by qualifying five men in yesterday's heats.

"A" CLASS

100 yards:—Chang Shao-ta (SJM); E. Paul (CMF); Chernichenko (SFX); C Edward (SFX); Chen (SJM); A. Paul (CMF).

440 yards:—Worley (SAS); Sadilnikoff (PTH); Hsieh (SJM); Catman (SAS); Butt (WDS); O. Miram (PTH).

High Jump:—C. Y. Chang (SJM); Barnhadt (PTH); R. Turner (SAS); Chen (SJM); Fetisoff (PTH); S. Turner (SAS).

Broad Jump:—C. Edwards (SFX); S. Turner (SAS); Kuo (SJM); Stephen (PTH); Anderson (SFX); T. S. Cheng (SJM).

"B" CLASS

100 yards.—Nesvadba (PTH); C. L. Hua (SJM); Main (WDS); Cohn (SFX); Hsu (SJM); Courtney (WDS).

440 yards.—Gutierez (SFX); Jouravel (WDS); Nesvadba (PTH); Y. K. Liu (FKS); Sutin (WDS).

High Jump.—Ollerdessen (WDS); Huang(SJM); Machado(SFX); Courtney (WDS); Rudden (PTH); Pao (SJM).

Broad Jump.—Griffiths (PTH); Rever (WDS); C. T. Chene (SJM); C. C. Hua (SJM); Kirpikoff (SFX); Honda (SFX).

"C" CLASS

100 yards.—H. Chang (WDS); Collaco (SFX); Yeh (EKS); Pereira (SFX); Madar (PTH); Koreisha (WDS).

440 yards.—Masters (PTH); P. C. Li (SJM); R. Levinskky (SJS); Rojensky (PTH); Tsar (FKS); Sun (SJM).

High Jump.—Halford (SFX); Masters (PTH); McShane (SFX); Liu (SJM); Koreisha (WDS); Levy (SJS).

Broad Jump.—J. K. Li (SJM); Litvin (SJS); Cohen (SJS); Cohen (SJS); H. Chang (WDS); Kirueshkin (PTH); Silva (SFX).

50 yards.—C. H. Li (SJM); Senna (SFX); Gordon (PTH); Lacson (SFX); Lee (WDS); Poliakoff (PTH).

100 yards.—Lovelock (PTH); Tonnochy (SFX); Low (SJS); Tsao (SFX); Gordon (PTH); V. Levinsky (SJS).

"E" CLASS

100 yards.—Lopes (SFX); Lee (PTH); Encarnacao (PTH); Pereira (PTH); Reliz (SFX); Rodfeld (SJS).

50 yards.—Carion (SFX); Encarnacao (PTH); Perelman (SJS); Pereira (PTH); Pereira (SFX); Hayward (SJS).

Golf Starting Times

Shanghai Golf Club

SATURDAY

1.24 Jacobs, MacFarlane/Cameron, MacD
1.32 Snow, McDonald/Vice President
1.44 Captain/Ewing, Wall (Singles)
1.52 Lurton, Jourdin (Hongs)
1.56 Wienberg, Drysdale/President
2.08 Isherwood, Dixon/Drysdale, De Jong
2.16 Openshaw, Openshaw/Lampo, Guest
2.23 Saphiere, Carson (4 Ball)
2.32 Cleland, Glass (Hongs)
2.36 Neumann, Gluckauf (4 Ball)
2.44 Shaw, Denbigh (4 Ball)
2.48 Barry, Gavin (4 Ball)
2.52 Jones, Rodger (4 Ball)
2.56 Jearsom, Jenkins

SUNDAY

8.32 to 9.24 Tee reserved for President's Cup 1941
8.32 R. T. Dwyer v. T. S. M. Terrace
8.36 L. D. Carson v. Y. Murakawa
8.44 J. C. Dickson v. A. B. Davis
8.48 A. Pratt v. P. H. Scoones
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Hungjao Golf Club

SATURDAY

1.00 Perez, Berley/Tistadt, Lovett
1.25 Bowker, Munro-Faure
1.30 Fistere, Mitchell, Mackay, Rounds
1.35 Riggs, & Co./Krueger, Hill, Pharis
1.45 Willson, Geibel, Rector Smith
1.50 Pettitt, Gardener/Kidd, Ricketts
2.00 Andrews, Nazer
2.05 Terrace, Heaney, Kearton, Robert.
2.10 Bond, Arnold, Cheetham, Stephen.
2.15 Captain's Time
2.20 Boniface, Merrill, Bonnyman
2.25 Way, Raworth, Macgregor, MacD.
2.30 Beveridge, Culbertson
2.35 Berthier, Lafontaine/Laffond, Co.
2.45 Maclean, Campbell
2.50 Hayim, Glassford, & Co.
2.55 MacEwen, Collett/Stacey, Cumming
3.05 Rigden, King, Perry
3.20 M. Little, Wood, Silby, Newman
3.55 Comte & Comtesse des Courtils
4.00 Tolmie, Thomas, West, Banham
4.05 Reynells

SUNDAY

8.32 Faure, Barraclough/Wilson, Davies
8.40 Andrews, & Co./Laffond, Watts
8.48 Howell, Partner/Bond, Robinson
8.56 Silby, Arnhold/Tolmie, Geibel
9.04 Reynell, Gordon/Rigden, King
9.12 Thomas, Huxter/Jeffery, Stacey
9.24 Campbell, Hind/Adamson, Porter
9.32 Captain's Time/Gardener, Cumming
9.40 Graham, Benham/Kidd, Ovadia
9.56 Nazer, Newman/Pharis, Savage
10.10 Cleland, Partner/Jones, Partner
10.20 Baith, Ricketts/Dean, Nash
10.30 R. Smith, Smith/Riggs, Cheetham
10.40 Fistere, Mitchell/MacEwen, Carter
10.50 Pettitt, Ball/Krueger, Piercy
11.00 Hutchisons/Macleans
11.10 Feith, Sharp/Forbes, Glassford
11.20 Simpson, Squires
11.25 Berthier, Mme. Laffond
11.30 Tistadt, Lovett/Perez, Berley

Dour Battle Anticipated In War Cup Final

London, May 8.

It is anticipated that the War Cup final will be a defensive battle with thousands secretly hoping for a draw. The Cup tournament has proved a real money-spinner and a salvation to some clubs, whose share in the profits is estimated to be £1,000.

Preston North End with six of the 1938 Cup-winning team available, and a majority of them able to train together thrice weekly, have the advantage over Arsenal, in which are eight Services' men who are unable to practice together. Nevertheless, the Arsenal's sound and rocklike defence should manage to hold Preston's clever and thrustful attack.

The Glasgow Rangers, Scottish champions for the third successive year, who lost only one match this season, are expected to beat Heart of Midlothian at Hampden Park to retain the Scottish Cup.—Reuter.

Police Sports Notice

The attention of all athletic Clubs and Secretaries is drawn to the fact that entries for the Police Sports, to be held at the Race Course on June 7 will close to-morrow May 10. No post entries of any type will be accepted.

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Field Events Made Easy ..... No. 1: The Broad Jump

Form Plus Speed Make a Good Jumper

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THE principal physical attribute in this event is SPEED. In fact, most sprinters are also good broad jumpers. This is due to the fact that the difference in the distance between the standing broad jump and the running broad jump is the inclusion of speed. Spring in the legs is also an important attribute for high class preformance in this event.

THE APPROACH

The technique in jumping can be divided into four parts; the approach; the take-off; the leap; and the landing. The approach should be practiced until it can be done automatically. This can be done by selecting a starting point and check marks and by developing a standard stride to insure taking off at the correst spot on the take-off board.

The number of strides varies with the individual but is usually from 12 to 16, covering a distance from 80 to 110 feet. The most common method is probably the 2-4-8 plan. The first check mark is placed 8 strides from the board, the second 12, and the third 14 strides away.

If the jumper gains speed slowly he perhaps should change this to a 10-4-2 ratio. This can be determined only through careful practice and study.

Some system should be followed in establishing the check marks. Many jumpers start running from the pit and stride up toward the start, noting their foot-prints as they go and adjusting them accordingly after several trial runs. Don't jump on these trials. Remember that like the sprinters the jumpers increase their strides as their speed increases, hence this will have to be taken into consideration.

THE TAKE-OFF

The jump is made from a board 4 inches wide and 48 inches long located on the runway about 12 feet from the jumping pit. The jumper should hit the board with the foot flat and rock up from the heel to the toes as he straightens and extends the leg for the leap. (Note: The centre of gravity at the moment of take-off should be slightly ahead of the take-off foot.) To accomplish balance the last stride of the run or approach should be taken in as the jumper bunches for the jump. If the stride is too long or too short the jumper will be out of balance and hence will not be able to get the full drive from his take-off leap. The jump is taken forward and upward. Remember that the higher you go the farther you will go as your momentum will carry you through the air. However this doesn't mean that you are to jump straight up, but it means forward and upward, at an angle of about 45 degrees from the point of take-off.

As the take-off foot hits the board the knee should be slightly bent as a part of the "coil" for the spring. Simultaneously with the foot stamp, rock-up, knee straightening, the opposite leg and foot should be swung vigorously upward and forward. Moreover, the swing of the arms should be synchronized with that of the legs with the same arm as the take-off foot thrust fully forward and upward and the opposite arm swung backward and downward.

THE LEAP

There are two common methods of executing the flight through the air. One is the Hitch Kick and the other is the Knee Bend.

The hitch kick is probably the most popular and consists of a walking or kitcking motion in the air by swing free the right or left leg backward and downward. The jumper should be careful not to start this action too soon and it cannot be executed properly until the take-off leg is brought forward. During the action the body is held erect and the arms are synchronized with the legs as in running. After the action the knees should be brought up together in a position so that the legs are nearly parallel with the ground and the body tilted slightly forward in preparation for the landing.

The Knee Bend method merely consists of the jumper leaping through the air with the legs parallel to the ground and the body tilted forward.

THE LANDING

It is important to reach out as far as possible just before coming in contact with the ground, but not so far as to throw the jumper out of balance which would result in him falling backward and thus losing valuable distance. Upon striking the pit one leg should be kept semi-rigid while the other should be limp. This will throw the body around and forward and will prevent the jumper from falling backward. The body should also be thrown violently forward as the feet hit the pit.

TRAINING

Good jumpers like all athletes must keep in good physical condition and keep their legs and muscles in tone. Below is a suggested training schedule:

Monday.—Body building exercises; jogging or wind sprints for 440 or 880; general loosening up; not more than three very easy jumps with stress on form.

Tuesday.—Exercises; take-off practice; few jumps for form ONLY, not to exceed 6 to 8 ffiumps; jog a 440.

Wednesday.—Exercise; few sprinting starts and short sprints; run 3 or 5 low hurdles; jog a 440.

Thursday.—Exercise; take-off practice; few jumps for form.

Friday.—Rest.

Saturday.—Competition or trial.

Note:—Notice that no distance jumps are taken during the week. Form plus speed make a good jumper so work on them and don't try to beat your record every day.

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French Condemn Trade Treaty

Advantageous to Japan But Not to Indo-China; "Tourists" in Thailand

Saigon, May 8.

Although no official comment was available here yesterday on conclusion in Tokyo of the Japanese-Indo-Chinese trade and navigation accords, informed sources condemned it. "We realize the accords are most advantageous to Japan but not advantageous to Indo-China," they said.

Informed sources declared that Japan was draining Indo-China of reserves. On Tuesday, they pointed out, eight Japanese ships loaded at Saigon but no shipments arrived from Japan.

Signing of the treaty, informed sources said, meant the French consented to give Japan what she wanted but that Japan only gave Indo-China promises.

Authoritative sources believed the accords also did not represent all of Japan's designs on Indo-China but that Nippon would seize more desired objectives in event of a war in the Pacific.

War Shipments to Thailand

The majority of Japanese ships which touch here, first touch at Bangkok where war materials are unloaded, then sail empty to Indo-Chinese ports where they are loaded with rice and rubber, said informed sources.

According to unofficial and unconfirmed reports from Bangkok, Japanese shipments of war materials to Thailand are becoming more frequent, consequently more empty ships arrive in Saigon to load Indo-Chinese products.

Thousands of Japanese male "tourists" have arrived in Thailand in recent weeks, informed sources said. There now are more than 10,000 Japanese in Bangkok, it was said.

Foreign aviation circles alleged that during the past four months every Japanese plane which flew to Bangkok, via Saigon, was loaded with Japanese officers but that the planes returned empty.

Meanwhile, foreigners arriving here from Singapore, said that large British reinforcements, including planes, were arriving daily in Singapore.—United Press.

Terms of Treaty

Tokyo, May 8.

Further details published by the press today regarding the new economic treaties signed on Tuesday by Japan and French Indo-China reveal that the agreements will be effective five years and continue in force unless they are denounced by either party a year before the expiration date.

The treaty of navigation provides among other things that both Japanese subjects and ships will be accorded "national treatment" in French Indo-China.

The agreement concerning Customs tariffs, trade and method of payment consists of more than 30 articles with annexed documents. Most favoured nation treatment will be accorded by both parties but the agreement stipulates that more than 40 major articles of Japanese merchandise will be exempted from Customs tariffs by French Indo-China, that a new tariff lower than the existing minimum tariff will be imposed on some 130 items of Japanese manufacture including cotton piece goods and miscellaneous goods, and that the present minimum tariff will be levied on more than 400 articles of Japanese manufacture.

Developing Trade

It also provides that, with a view to developing trade between Japan and French Indo-China, Japan will purchase rice, maize, pepper, salt, ox hide, resin, silica, zinc, tin, iron ore and manganese from French Indo-China while the latter will buy textiles and miscellaneous goods.

Settlement of accounts will be done through the Yokohama Specie Bank to which Japanese buyers will pay in yen when they purchase goods from Indo-China, while the Yokohama Specie Bank will open a current account in the Bank of Indo-China for a similar purpose. Settlement of accounts will be done every three months and if the balance exceeds Y.5,000,000 the settlement will be made in foreign currency, possibly American dollars.

The accord provides that 12 months deferred payment will be granted for Japanese purchases of rice from Indo-China. Over a dozen Japanese firms will be permitted to join the federation of importers and exporters in Indo-China, while Japanese financiers will be permitted to participate in agricultural, mining, electric utility and transport concessions in Indo-China in the form of joint concerns.—Reuter.

Further Revision in Exchange Control Law

Changchun, May 8.

In order to ensure a sufficient supply of seasonal labour, the Manchoukuo Government is to revise the present Exchange Control Law to enable workers from North China to take back their earnings after the harvest and construction season.

Under the present regulations, Chinese coolies are allowed to take back with them only very limited sums regardless of the amounts they save up in this country. From now on, however, they will have all the Manchoukuo notes in their possession converted into Chinese notes.

Other persons leaving Manchoukuo, including foreigners, must still obtain permits to take money out of the country, even for travelling expenses.—Reuter.

U.S. Car Production May Be Halted

Washington, May 8.

Defence circles here yesterday indicated that U.S. car production may be halted in order to increase plane production.

Meanwhile, emergency facilities were rushed to increase production of magnesium and aluminium, needed for bomber manufacture.

A future monthly aluminium production of 125,000,000 pounds is planned, compared to 25,000,000 in January and 50,00,000 in April, it was said.—United Press.

"Somewhere in Africa"

Land mines were used in large numbers to impede the advances of the British armies in Africa. The picture shows a group of Australian engineers removing some of these mines from the path of advancing infantry.

Franco-Thai Peace Signing Today

Mr. Matsuoka's Residence To Be Scene of Ceremony In Tokyo

Tokyo, May 8.

It was understood that the peace treaty between France and Thailand, embodying Japan's mediation terms regarding the Thai-French Indo-China border dispute which the two countries accepted on March 11, will be formally signed at the Premier's official residence tomorrow morning.

France will be represented by M. Charles Arsene-Henry, Ambassador, and M. Rene Robin, Governor of Colonies, while Thailand will be represented by Prince Vanvaidyakara Varavarn, Adviser to the Thai Foreign Office, Mr. Phya Sri Sena, Thai Minister to Tokyo, Colonel Phra Silpa Sastrakom, Chief of the Army General Staff and Mr. Nai Vanith, President of the Board of Trade.

Simultaneous with the signature of the peace treaty the French and Thai delegates and Japanese delegates, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, and Mr. Hajime Matsumiya, will sign the notes exchanged between them agreeing that neither Thailand nor French Indo-China shall enter any agreement with a third Power or Powers which is designed to run counter to the interests of Japan, together with protocols relating to a demilitarized zone between Thailand and French Indo-China and a mixed commission.

M. Rene Robin, French delegate, will leave Tokyo shortly with the text of the treaty and other relevant documents to be sent to Vichy for ratification. The treaty will become effective with the exchange of ratifications which is expected to take place in two months' time.—Domei.

Payment to France

Bangkok, May 8.

The Government yesterday instructed the Thai peace delegation in Tokyo to sign a Franco-Thai treaty ending three months of negotiations, it was announced here.

Exact articles of the treaty were not learned immediately, but it was revealed that Thailand had agreed to pay France "about 5,000,000 ticals" for utilities and other improvements in ceded areas.

The treaty will be signed in a few days, it was said.—United Press.

Tokyo Dailies Comment On Stalin's New Post

Soviet Seen Preparing to Meet Any Eventuality

Tokyo, May 8.

While the metropolitan dailies evinced no surprise at M. Josef Stalin's assumption of the Chairmanship of the Council of People's Commissars, at the same time the Tokyo newspapers, the "Nichi-Nichi," "Asahi" and "Yomiuri" interpreted Stalin's action as meaning that the Soviet Union was preparing to meet any eventuality which might arise in the current European hostilities, especially in the Near East and the Balkans.

The "Nichi-Nichi" and "Asahi" stressed the fact that Stalin's Government had now reached a stage of complete national unity between the Government Army Party and the people with no constitutional discrepancy as when Stalin was dictator in fact but not in name.

The "Yomiuri" said: "The Soviet Union has always striven for the maintenance of neutrality....and it is M. Viacheslav Molotov's greatest duty to avoid dangers involving the Soviet Union in the war by holding fast to the policy of neutrality. Success or failure of Molotov's foreign policy will have a tremendous effect on the international situation."

With Stalin now at the helm of the State, Molotox will be free to concentrate on the heavy task before him, said the "Yomiuri" while the "Asahi" expected that Stalin himself would take an increasingly active role in foreign affairs.—Domei.

"Headliner On Stage"

Chungking, May 8.

The press here interprets M. Josef Stalin's assumption of the chairmanship of the Council of People's Commissars as an indication of the seriousness of present international developments which is making it necessary for "headliners to appear on the stage".—Reuter.

Nazi-Vichy Accord Reached in Paris

Demarcation Line to Be Opened for Passage of Goods, Securities

Vichy, May 8.

Agreement has been reached beween Admiral Darlan and the German authorities in Paris, it was announced here last night.

It provides that the demarcation line between occupied and unoccupied France will be open in general for the passage of goods and securities. Persons will be allowed to travel between the two zones in the event of serious illness or the death of a relative. Free correspondence by plain postcards will be allowed.

Permission to cross the line will be granted to members of the Army and Air Force on the same conditions as already in force for sailors.

A reduction in the payments for the upkeep of the German Army of Occupation is agreed to in principle. A reduction from 400,000,000 to 300,000,000 francs is envisaged. Discussions on this and allied subjects are continuing.—Reuter.

Danger of Famine

Vichy, May 8.

Exchange of food surpluses is vitally necessary because Paris is likely again to face a food shortage, especially of meats and fats. The shortage threatens to reach famine proportions, said reports here.

Unconfirmed reports from Paris suggested the possibility of the Germans moving the inter-zone line back to the Somme, thus releasing Paris suggested the possibility of the Germans moving the inter-zone line back to the Somme, thus releasing Paris to the rich meat and butter producing provinces north, west and south of Paris.

The Germans would keep merely a 12 mile strip along the coast, plus all Atlantic and Channel ports, said reports, and all the Nord and Pas de Calais departments, to which the French are forbidden to return until the end of the war against England.

The necessity of Marshal Philippe Petain interrupting his holiday travel yesterday to confer with Admiral Darlan, proved the importance of the conversations between Admiral Darlan and M. Pierre Laval in Paris on Tuesday. The conversations were believed to have consitituted the turning point in Franco-German relations.—United Press.

Bases in Syria Sought?

Istanbul, May 8.

A diplomatic source here yesterday said that Germany was bringing pressure on Vichy to obtain air bases in Syria.—United Press.

Dutch Survivors Landed

Buenos Aires, May 8.

Survivors of the Dutch vessel Princess Wilhelmina, which was torpedoed, have arrived at Montevideo on a British ship.—Reuter.

Free Rumanian Group Proposed

Rumanians in Far East Urged to Join; H.Q. to Be at Singapore

Singapore, May 8.

Efforts are being made to form a Free Rumanian movement in the Far East, with headquarters in Singapore, with which Rumanians in Shanghai, among other places, will be asked to co-operate.

The requisite sanction is being sought by M. Rene Untermanns, brother of the former Rumanian Consul-General at Antwerp, at the instigation of Dr. V. Tilea, former Rumanian Ambassador in London, who resigned from his post to become head of the Free Rumanian movement in Britain following his country's seizure by Germany.

M. Untermanns, a former consular officer in Antwerp before he was forced to flee to France, received a cable from Dr. Tilea appealing for his collaboration in beginning a Far East Free Rumanian movement.

Plans Drawn Up

Plans for the scheme which now needs only the approval of the Straits Settlements Government for it to be launched, have been drawn up by M. Untermanns.

A committee representative of Rumanians all over the Far East is to be formed with headquarters here.

Rumanians in Malaya, Thailand, Hongkong and Shanghai, where there are reported to be several thousands, will be asked to give their full co-operation to the project.

The local committee would also co-operate with any Free Rumanian movement in India.

The Free Rumanian movement, just like the Free French movement, has spread rapidly through the United States, Canada, and South America, and several delegations to these countries have been appointed by the headquarters of the organization in London, where all Free Rumanians have banded together under Dr. Tilea.

M. Untermanns worked for the British War Office during the last war from 1915 to 1919. His son is at present serving with an anti-aircraft battery in Britain.—Reuter.

No Action Here Yet

Enquiries made here yesterday disclosed that no definite action has been taken yet by local Rumanian sympathizers who are waiting for more tangible news from Singapore before deciding what to do.

Anglo-American Food Committee Formed

Washington, May 8.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Claude Wickard, yesterday announced formation of a joint Anglo-American committee to expedite the purchase and shipment of food to Britain under the provisions of the Lease-Lend Act.

Mr. Wickard will be the chairman of the committee, which will comprise three members of the British food mission and three Americans.—Reuter.

German Seamen Detained On Ellis Island

New York, May 8.

In an apparent Governmental precaution against fifth-column activity, 128 German seamen have been detained on Ellis Island. Federal agents continue to search for others.—Reuter.

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Harry ..... Stanley Clements

Goofy gangsterism at its best is to be seen in "Tall, Dark and Handsome," now showing at the Cathay. This comic, satirical, type of film, which is so well adapted from the writings of Mr. Damon Runyon, can provide, if well done, some of the best entertainment the screen has to offer, and the Cathay presentation is extremely well done. Mr. Cesar Romero, cast as a big-shot killer ruling a city with a steel hand, but who is really a bluff, never having killed any one in his life, is perfect for the role One of the funniest scenes this reviewer has ever seen was when Romero, who instead of "rubbing out" members of the rival gang, as the world thinks he does, keeps them locked up instead, and is horrified to find that one of his prisoners has a sore throat, deluges him with remedies and advice. Miss Virginia Gilmore, too, although for most of the time unaware of the true character of Romero, plays up to him very well. Of the minor players, all of whom will be recognized as the genuine gangsters of so many films act expertly, and burlesque what they usually have to do so seriously with the greatest of glee. The film, as a whole, is first-class light fare and should certainly be seen.—A.B.C.

Tsuda Relinquishes Liaison Office Post

On the occasion of his retirement from the post of Director of the Asia Development Board's China Liaison Office, Vice-Admiral Shizue Tsuda yesterday noon delivered a short address to all staff members.

The outgoing Director expressed his thanks to his former subordinates for their services and urged them to further efforts under Rear-Admiral Taiji Ota, who will take over his post.

More Britons Ordered To Register

London, May 8.

The classes of 1939 and 1940 have been ordered to register for military service May 17 and May 31 respectively, it was announced officially here yesterday.—United Press.

Roosevelt and Halifax To Speak

New York, May 8.

President Roosevelt will address the Pan-American Union on May 14. The British Ambassador, Lord Halifax, will speak at Kansas City next Monday.—Reuter.

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Anglo-U.S.-Chinese Alliance Urged

"Central Daily News" Points Out Mistakes Of Appeasement

Chungking, May 8.

An alliance on the part of the Democracies, Britain, the United States and China, is advocated in an outspoken leading article in the official "Central Daily News."

"In the camp of the Democracies the United States becomes the centre force with Britain as the left wing and China as the right wing," the paper states. "Any success on failure of either wing will affect the entire camp.

"The Axis Powers, Germany, Italy and Japan, already have formed an alliance by signing the tripartite pact. In the past the Democracies due to various reasons have been unable to take the initiative. There have been certain elements who maintained that peace could be secured through compromise. In Europe, Britain and France at one time thought Italy could be induced to remain out of the war.

Appeasement Failures

"In the Far East prior to the signing of the tripartite pact certain elements among the Democracies believed Japan could be induced to stay outside the Axis. The reported failures of appeasement policy have convinced Britain and the United States of the inadvisability of the continuance of such a policy.

"Today if there are still people who believe that compromise and appeasement will induce Japan to delay her southward expansion they will repeat the mistakes of the past.

"We firmly believe that a British victory and a Chinese victory are equally important in China's fight for freedom and independence. We hope the British Government and public circles realize the importance of Chinese resistance and will not entertain hope of appeasement or fear of taking any action which may hasten Japan's southward expansion.

"Today Britain, the United States and China have identical aims and realize the necessity for mutual co-operation. We sincerely hope they will make careful, complete plans to meet any emergency so as not to allow aggressor nations to take the initiative and freely choose the time and area for their fresh aggression and expansion."—Reuter.

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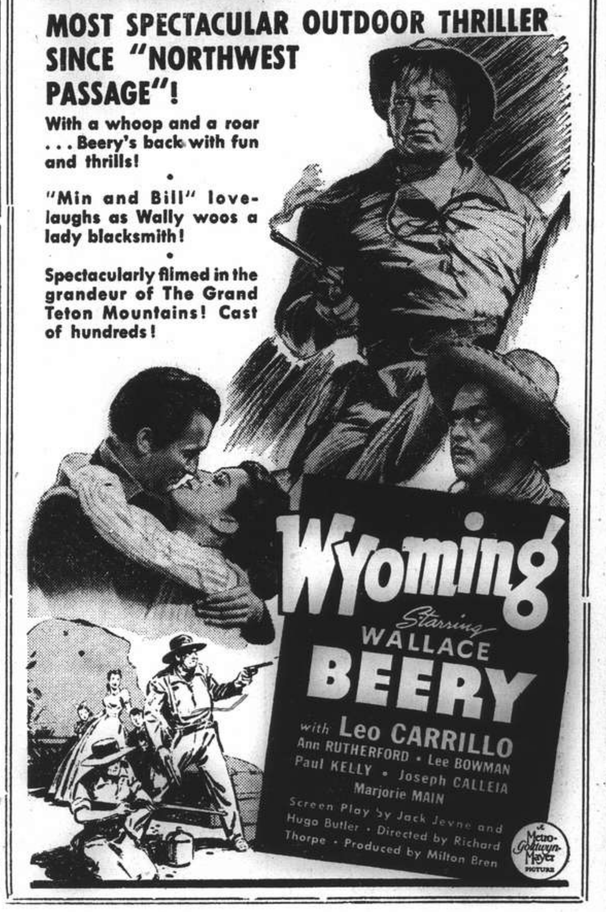

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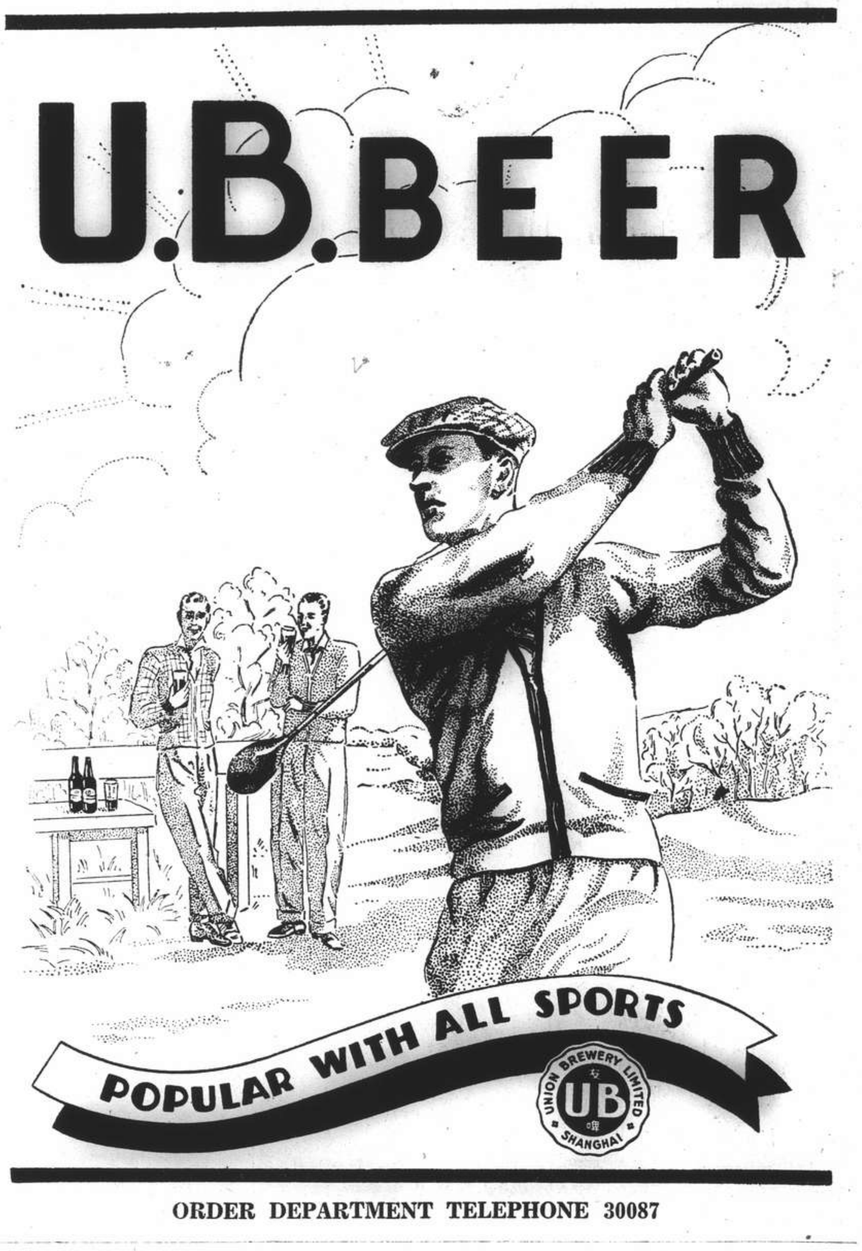

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

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THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1941

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3 7/32d.	$ 74.56
U.S. $100 @ 5 7/8	$1,927.71
Yen 22	$100
Guilders 93¾	100
Rupees 17 7/8	100
Pesos 10 3/8	100
Hongkong $21 3/8	100

Closing rates unchanged

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3 5/32d.	$ 72.45
U.S. $100 5 5/8	$1,882.00
London—demand, $1=	3 5/8d.
4 months' sight credits	3 11/16d.
4 months' sight docts	3 3/4d.
6 months' sight credits	3 3/8d.
6 months' sight docts	3 13/16d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. $5 5/8
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5 5/8
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5 3/8

Closing rates unchanged

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03¼ U.S. $1=59.52d.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 3¼d. U.S. $5¼
Hongkong/London 1/3

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U.S.$ Selling .. @ 9/16 .. H.H.$100
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CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing	$2.796
CRB$ or	@ 188
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar	$5.257

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	Lowest
U.S. $	5 3/32	5 1/4

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING	BUYING
Cash		May/June
£ T.T.	3 5/8	4 m/s. l.c. 3 11/16
U.S.$ T.T.	5 1/4	4 m/s. l.c. 5 5/8
Rs. T.T.	18	15 d/s. 18 1/2

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	23 1/2	23 1/2
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	63.00	—
Bombay offtake 100 bars.		

U.S. $/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for May 7	4.03¼
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.99 1/2
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.90¼

The exchange market opened at 3 1/16d. and 5 3/32 U.S.$. Speculative selling made the market steady almost immediately and quotations moved up on the day's trading to 3 1/16d. sterling and 5 5/32 U.S.$ on which basis it remained steady to firm despite considerable covering. At the close there were sellers at:—

3¼ sterling 5 3/32 U.S.$ Cash/June

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, May 7.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	81½ N.	London	1/5 1/32
N. Y.	333¼-332¾	2 mths	
Shanghai	19	,, sellers	1/5 1/32
Hongkong	84½	,, buyers	1/6
		Japan 2 mths	
		,, sellers	83 N.
		,, buyers	77½ N.

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 3/32
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 7/8
Bel. Congo	176½	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3 3/8d.	,, buying	1/2

New York U.S.$. T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Brazil	5.05
Spain	9.25 N.	Japan	23.45/48*
Paris	2.30	Shanghai	5.34
Italy	5.05 N.	Hongkong	24.34
S'zerland	23.21	Hungary	19.85
,, "free"	23.23	Finland	2.05
Sweden	23.74	Manila	49.80 N
Montreal	87.750		

London	4.03¼
Buenos Aires Paper	29.78
,, ,, ,, market rate	23.75
Montreal on London	4.59¾

*—Offered N—Nominal.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	May 7.	
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call money		¾%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0½%B 0⅝%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0⅝%B 0¾%A
Call money		1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

May 8.	Sales	Prices 10 a.m.	Closing p.m.
Atoks		.26 B	.26 B
Antamok		.05 A	.05 A
Bagiuo Gold		.1425 B	.1425 B
Batong Buhay		.0075 A	.0075 A
Big Wedge		.26 B	.265 B
Coco Grove		.0625 A	.0625 A
Consolidated Mines		.0016 B	.0016 B
Demonstration		.0525 A	.0525 A
East Mindanao		.0775 B	.0775 B
I. X. L.		.22	.22
Ipo Gold		.05 A	.05 A
Itogen		.155 B	.155 B
Mambulao Consolidated		.01 A	.01 A
Masbate Consolidated		.08 B	.08 B
Mine Operations		.055 A	.055 A
Paracalae Gumaus		.255 B	.255
San Mauricio		.30 A	.30 A
Surigao Consolidated	Unq.		.17 B
Suyoc		.09 A	.09 A
Syndicate Investment		.022 A	.022 A
United Paracale		.15	.15
Mindanao Motherlode		.17 B	.17
Manila Hai-Alai		7.00 B	7.00
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)		3.05 B	—

A—Asked. B—Bid.—Reuter.

Electricity Production

New York, May 7.

The Edison Electric Institute reported today that production of electricity last week totalled 2,734,460,000 kilowatt hours. This was 15,817,000 kilowatt hours less than the preceding week's production but 348,250 kilowatt hours more than production for the corresponding week of 1940.—United Press.

Silver Quotations

	May 7	May 8
London spot	23½d.	Unrecd.
,, forward	23½d.	,,
,, gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market at the opening yesterday maintained the levels which have ruled during the present week but later in the morning the market eased considerably due to rumours. Due to heavy selling, prices further decreased during the afternoon, but towards the close there was a slight recovery, though an easy undertone was evident.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
462.56	105.32	General	282.16	—4.13
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	270.18	—9.84

Total 534,203 shares, 2,350 bonds.

Morning Session

Yangtsze Finance		500	16.30	1500	*16.30
	500 16.20	500	16.10	500	16.00
	500 16.20	1000	16.30	500	16.00
	500 *15.90	500	15.90	500	*15.80
S'hai Loan		500	20.00	2500	19.80
	1500 19.50	1000	*19.70	1000	19.70
	500 19.60	1000	19.50	500	*19.40
	1500 19.40				
I. I. Trust		4000	*24.50	1500	24.25
	1000 *24.25	4000	24.00	1500	23.75
	3000 24.25	1000	24.00	500	23.75
	500 24.00	500	*23.75		
S'hai Securities		14500	6.95	1500	*6.95
	14500 6.90	500	*6.90	1000	*6.95
China Realty		3500	9.60	1000	*9.65
	1000 9.50	500	9.60		
S'hai Land		1500	12.90	3000	12.80
	5000 12.70	2000	12.60	1000	12.70
Dockyards		100	*25.75	2300	25.75
	2300 25.50	400	*25.50	2200	25.25
	3600 25.00	200	24.75	1800	*25.00
	700 25.00	1200	24.75		
Asia Navigation		1500	12.30	2000	12.20
	1500 12.10	8000	*12.00	10000	12.00
	2000 11.80	6500	11.90	4000	*12.00
	2500 *11.90	2500	11.90	2500	11.80
	1500 11.90				
Ewo Brewery		1500	6.80	500	6.85
	1000 *6.80	500	6.80	3000	6.75
Wheelock		700	96.00	700	*96.50
	300 96.00	300	*95.50	600	96.50
	400 *96.00	1100	95.00	2000	94.50
	500 *94.50	5400	94.00	2050	94.50
	200 *94.50	7000	*95.00	100	*94.00
	1900 94.00	500	*94.50	2300	94.00
Int. Assurance				500	26.00
Ewo Mills (Ord)		100	37.50	100	*37.25
	1100 37.25	700	37.00	500	*37.00
	400 36.75	2400	36.50	100	36.25
	1000 *26.25	2600	36.50	2400	36.75
	200 *36.50	200	*36.25	300	36.50
	600 *36.50	500	36.25	200	36.50
	200 *36.25				
Central Prop.		2000	*18.60	100	18.50
Textile		2500	7.85	2500	7.80
Worsted		3000	*5.40	500	5.35
	1000 5.30	1000	5.25	1000	5.20
	2000 5.10	2000	5.15	500	*5.25
	2500 5.20				
C. G. Omnibus		100	16.60	500	15.70
Telephone				500	32.25
Paper		3500	5.25	500	5.20
	1000 *5.20	1000	5.15	3000	5.10
	1000 *5.10	2000	5.05	2000	5.00
	2000 5.15	1500	5.20	3000	*5.15
	2000 5.10	4000	5.05	1000	*5.05
	500 5.10	1000	*5.10		
Lumber		1000	45.50	100	46.00
	100 44.75	200	44.25	200	44.50
Metal		2300	30.50	1600	*30.25
	3000 30.25	3700	30.00	100	*30.00
	1800 29.75	1900	29.50	1200	29.25
	100 *29.25	3600	29.75	3700	30.00
	200 *30.00	1100	30.25	400	*29.75
	1400 29.75	100	29.50		
Kaiping				300	39.00
Exploration		2000	25.25	1000	*25.25
	2500 *25.00	2500	25.00	500	*24.75
	3500 24.75	500	*24.50	2500	24.50
	1000 24.25	500	*24.25	3500	24.50
	500 *24.75	500	*24.50	3500	24.75
	2500 24.50				
Power (Pref)				30	132.50
Anglo Dutch		100	19.90	300	19.80
	100 19.70	200	19.60	400	19.50
	600 19.40				
Anglo Java		400	*39.50	100	39.25
	1600 39.00	200	38.75	100	*38.75
	2400 38.50	400	38.00	500	38.25
	500 *38.25	800	33.00	500	*38.00
	700 38.25	100	*38.25		
Cheng				4000	0.71
Consolidated				1000	6.20
Dominion				1000	8.75
Kroewoek				2000	2.42½
Langkat		100	27.25	1700	27.00
	1100 26.75	1000	26.50	1500	26.25
	200 26.50	200	*26.25	1400	26.25
	1000 26.00				
Kelantan				2000	0.73
Pahang				1000	4.00
Tanah Merah				1000	2.85
Tebong		2000	134	1000	1.30
	1000 1.34	1000	1.32		
Ziangbe		200	*23.50	500	23.50
	300 23.25	100	23.00	400	*22.50
	200 22.50	1400	22.75	500	22.50
S. W. W. "C"				300	40.00
S. M. C. 6% 1940				220000	97.00

ODD LOTS

Textile				100	7.80
Ewo Mills (Ord)				17	37.00
China Realty				281	9.55
Metal				50	30.00
Exploration		100	24.00	100	24.75
	100 24.25	220	25.00		
I. I. Trust		250	23.75	50	24.25
S'hai Land		100	12.80	150	13.10
Asia Navigation		400	*12.30	300	12.00
	200 11.90	100	12.20	300	11.80
Pahang				50	4.15
Paper				250	5.15

Afternoon Session

S. W. W. "A" £20				30	900.00
China Finance		1000	1.02	4000	1.00
Yangtsze Finance				1000	*15.70
	500 15.70	2500	15.60	2000	*15.60
	2000 15.50	2000	15.80	1000	15.60
S'hai Loan		500	19.00	1000	13.90
	2000 *18.80	1000	19.00	2000	18.90
	1000 *18.90	1500	18.80	2500	18.70
	500 18.80	500	18.90	500	18.80
I. I. Trust		7000	23.75	2500	24.00
	500 *24.00				
S'hai Securities		2500	6.85	500	*6.85
	1000 *6.90	14500	6.85	500	6.90
China Realty		1500	9.50	1000	*9.50
	1000 *9.45				
S'hai Land		3000	12.60	500	*12.60
Dockyards		200	24.50	1200	24.25
	800 *24.25	1200	24.00	1200	23.75
	2000 24.00	2000	24.25	1200	24.50
	1500 *24.75	1500	24.50		
Asia Navigation		1000	*11.90	1000	11.60
	2000 11.70	11000	11.80	5500	11.70
	500 11.60	4000	11.80		
Ewo Brewery		1000	6.50	500	6.60
Wheelock		100	92.50	900	92.00
	400 *91.50	200	92.00	400	*92.50
	2500 92.50	700	*92.00	1000	92.00
	100 91.50	500	*91.00	500	*91.50
	700 92.00	700	92.50	500	93.00
	200 92.50	500	92.00		
Ewo Mills (Ord)		100	35.75	100	*36.00
	100 *35.75	2000	35.75	2100	35.50
	1400 35.75	100	35.50		
S'hai Cotton				100	*255.00
Central Prop.				100	18.50
Textile		500	7.70	500	7.65
	500 7.60				
Worsted		500	5.10	2000	5.00
	1500 5.05				
Telephone				300	31.50
S'hai Gas				200	13.60
Paper		2000	*5.05	1500	5.00
	500 *4.95	500	4.95	5000	5.00
	1000 5.05	6000	5.00	2000	*5.00
	2000 *4.95	1000	4.90	3500	5.00
	1000 *5.05	2000	5.00		
Lumber		700	44.00	300	44.25
Metal		500	29.75	100	*29.50
	3300 29.25	1900	29.00	300	*29.25
	300 29.00	1900	28.75	1000	*28.50
	700 28.75	5500	29.00		
Kaiping				200	38.00
Exploration		500	*24.25	5500	23.75
	500 *23.75	3000	24.00	500	*24.00
	13500 23.75	1000	*23.50	3000	*23.75
	500 24.00	1500	23.75	500	*23.75
	1000 *24.00	1500	24.00	500	23.75

FROM DAY TO DAY

STATION XMHD (760 k.c. or 395m) will be calling all boys and girls again at 5 p.m. today for another programme of the Young Folk's Hour.

THE Ministry of Communications of the Chinese National Government has, during the past few days, been making a test of wireless communications between the newly established wireless station at Ya-an, and the existing stations at Chengtu, Hsichang (Szechuan) and Sikong, says a Ya-an message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

VICE-ADMIRAL Sizue Tsuda, who has been relieved of his post of Director of the Central China Liaison Office of the Asia Development Board, will give a farewell cocktail party to the leading members of the Japanese community at the Nippon Club on Boone Road at 5 p.m. tomorrow, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

MR. Lin Po-sheng, Minister of Publicity of the Nanking Government, accompanied by Mme. Chen Pi-chun, wife of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, President of the Nanking Government, at noon on Tuesday returned to Nanking from his inspection tour of Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang areas, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

THE Yunnan Provincial Government has decided to send forty promising university students to pursue higher studies in the United States at the expense of the Provincial treasury, says a Kunming message to the "Shun Pao." The Provincial Government has also voted a grant of C.$1,000,000 in aid of Provincial schools, the report concludes.

THE joint meeting of the Royal Asiatic Society (N.C.B.) and the International Institute of China, Inc., will be held in the Auditorium of the R.A.S. Building at 20 Museum Road, on Thursday at 5.30 p.m., when a lecture will be given by Count D'Auxion de Ruffé on the subject "Criminal Procedure in Ancient China." The meeting is open to the public.

THE Bank of Taiwan at Swatow sustained a loss of over $2,000,000 in cash as a result of a midnight armed robbery carried out by unidentified persons on April 24, says a belated Shiukwan message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The Japanese military authorities had been carrying out a strict search of Chinese houses in Swatow since the robbery occurred, the report states.

THE Russian Light Opera presented successfully a repeat show of "Flower of Hawaii" yesterday in the Lyceum and, because of popular appeal will give another performance of "Ball of Savoy" on Sunday. Among the principals to take part are Valin, Orlovskaya, Nevskaya and Larissa Anders. The company's season is drawing to a close, but at least one more hit will be presented before the hot weather begins.

BRITAIN'S new Ambassador in Bagdad, Sir Kinahan Cornwallis, knows the Near East intimately. During the last war he was Director of the famous Arab Bureau in Cairo, and for fourteen years he was the power behind the late King Feisal's throne in Iraq. In his Oxford days Sir Kinahan was a great miler, and for many years held the record at the University sports. Even now, at 57, he can give many a younger man a beating at squash.

THE annual recital of the Bateman King School of Dancing will be held in the Lyceum Theatre on May 24 and 25, matinees only. It will be entitled, "Who Killed Cock Robin," and should prove very delightful entertainment. Miss Audrey King, who will be remembered for her recent brilliant production "Les Presages" offers a modern "Cock Robin" in presenting an original version of this well known title, wherein she has depicted a travesty on a law court.

IN the last war General Sir Alexander Godley, who at the age of 74 has just handed over his Home Guard platoon to a younger man, was affectionately known as "Do it again Alec." It was the New Zealanders who gave him the nickname. The story runs that one hot day while they were on parade, Lady Godley was present. She so much admired their drill that, when they had finished, she called out to her husband, "Do it again, Alec." And, much to the troops' disgust, they had to!

THE Central Observatory of the National Central University is preparing to observe and study the solar eclipse at the best point of vantage in northern Fukien on September 21, says a Shiukwan message to the "Shun Pao." The eclipse is expected to have a duration of about eighty minutes at midday on September 21, but the best observation point will be somewhere in northern Fukien, from where the phenomena can be observed for the longest period of three minutes and twenty one seconds, the report states.

MR. Ross, publisher of the American magazines "Fortune" and "Time," and Mrs. Ross, arrived at Hongkong from the United States by the American Clipper en route to Chungking, says a Hongkong report to the "Chinese American Daily News." He told pressmen that he was born in China forty-two year ago. Mr. Ross was formerly Professor of History of the Yenching University in Peiping. Mrs. Ross is a well known dramatist and playwright. One of her plays is entitled "Wife" and has a Chinese background. Another book "Spring in Europe" is her masterpiece, and relates her experiences in the Continent after the outbreak of the current European War.

VISCOUNT Hinchingbrooke, who under the political truce will succeed Lord Cranborne as M.P. for South Dorset, is the 34-year-old son and heir of the Earl of Sandwich. When he left Cambridge he went to work in a telephone factory at Woolwich, and called himself "Mr. Hinchingbrooke." Later, when he became a director, he restored his title. Then he entered politics as one of Mr. Baldwin's secretaries, but having been rejected as a candidate by Cambridge he returned to the City. He showed that his interest in politics was not dead, however, by accompanying Mr. Eden on his trip to America two years ago. Lord Hinchingbrooke is tall, blond, and handsome, and is known to his friends as "Hinch."

Panama Canal Will Be Kept Open

U.S. War Department Denies Rumours to Contrary; To Be Kept Open at All Costs

Washington, May 8.

The War Department, in response to inquiries concerning the closing of the Panama canal to all but U.S. shipping, yesterday announced its plans to keep the canal open to commercial shipping indefinitely. No orders for closing the canal have been issued, said the War Department, which also denied having heard rumours to the contrary.

Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, termed the closing rumours "more back stairs gossip."

Observers here recalled that similar reports frequently have been circulated in the past and always proved erroneous in view of the announced defence policy of keeping the canal open at all costs.

Nazis Ready to Challenge U.S.

Rome, May 8.

Sig. Giovanni Ansaldo, writing in Count Galeazzo Ciano's "Leghorn Telegrafo," yesterday hinted that Germany was ready to challenge United States domination of the Panama Canal.

"Germany has accepted Anglo-Saxon domination of the Panama canal and even tolerated the status of Suez," Sig. Ansaldo wrote, "but desired at least to maintain control of the Rhine and Danube system in order to organize her vital space in central and southeastern Europe.

"But the Anglo-Saxons were unwilling to allow Germany even this sphere of interest. Today, that question must be solved by force and these canals, which might have been roads of triumph for western civilization, will become roads of war to death."—United Press.

Scandinavian Women's Association Meeting

The Scandinavian Women's Association held their last meeting of the season at the French Club yesterday. After tea, the meeting was opened by Mrs. T. C. Tai, the Chairman and Mrs. O. F. Olesen read the secretary's report, mentioning that twenty new members had joined the Association this year. In the report of the treasurer, Mrs. E. Krogseth, it was made known that well over a thousand dollars had been donated to various charitable institutions since last October.

The three members who have been elected to fill the vacancies on the committee of seven are Mrs. C. N. B. Aall, Mrs. J. Elsther and Mrs. P. R. Petersen. After the meeting, Miss Petersen gave a talk on Yoga with demonstrations of some of the exercises by one of her pupils.

Mrs. Taj thanked Miss Petersen and her pupil for the most enjoyable lecture and presented Miss Petersen with a basket of roses.

Mahjongg Party in Aid of M.C.L.

A most enjoyable time was spent at the home of Mrs. H. C. Hopkins, 158 Edinburg Road, yesterday, when a bridge and mahjongg party was held in aid of the Ministering Children's League. There was an attendance of well over a hundred ladies.

Among those ladies present were Mrs. Marden, President of the Ministering Children's League, Mrs. L. H. Lamb; Mrs. J. Hutchison; Mrs. J. Bowden; Mrs. Berents; Mrs. C. G. Riem; Mrs. G. H. Stacey; Mrs. W. K. Peltz; Mrs. V. E. Duclos; Mrs. B. C. Sienkevitch; Mrs. Wentworth and Mrs. Rogers. During the afternoon tea was attractively served. As a result of the cooperation of the ladies the funds of the M.C.L. will be substantially augmented.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive today are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From DAIREN: Hoten Maru, with mail, due 4 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

STRAITS AND INDIA

From Karachi		From Calcutta	
Onoe M	— 10/5	Toyooka M	— 27/5
From Bombay			
Melb'ne M	— 13/5		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From New York		From Honolulu	
D. Aniceta	— 13/5	Nitta M	16/4 12/5
P Garfield	— 14/5	K'kura M	22/4 26/5
Tosan M	— 15/5	Yawata M	7/5 2/6
Kyusyu M	— 23/5	**From Yokohama**	
P Monroe	— 28/5	Nitta M	26/4 12/5
From Los Angeles		**From Kobe**	
Nitta M	7/4 12/5	Nitta M	10/5 12/5
P C'land	— 25/5	Tottori M	— 23/5
K'kura M	14/4 26/5	**From Nagasaki**	
Yawata M	28/4 2/6	N'saki M	9/5 10/5
From Seattle			
C'sworth	25/4 17/5		
W Cuseta	10/5 1/6		

CHINA PORTS

From Dairen	
T'tao M	10/5 12/5

Vessels Discharging

GLAUCUS, from Liverpool. Cargo ex this vessel has arrived from Hongkong per ss. Soochow and is being discharged at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to hand in Bills of Lading in exchange for local Delivery Orders. Damaged cargo will be examined on May 14, at 9.30 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 10-5

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **President Pierce** of the American President Lines sailed for San Francisco and Los Angeles, via Kobe and Honolulu, last night. The liner came here from Hongkong and Manila on Wednesday morning.

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The ss. **Taiyo Maru** of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, operating between Shanghai and Kobe, arrived in port yesterday and berthed alongside the company's Yangtszepoo Wharf. She will remain here until Monday when she will sail on her return voyage to Japan.

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The ss. **Dairen Maru**, express liner of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya, operating between Shanghai and northern ports, will leave for Tsingtao and Dairen this morning at 9 o'clock. She is berthed at the company's Whangpoo Wharf. Passengers are requested to embark at least half an hour before sailing time.

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The ss. **Hoten Maru** of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya, express liner operating between Shanghai, Tsingtao and Dairen, is expected to make port this afternoon at about 4 o'clock. She will dock alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf and will sail on her return trip to the northern ports at 9 a.m. on Sunday.

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The ss. **Shanghai Maru**, express Toa Kaiun Kaisya liner operating between Shanghai and Nagasaki, arrived in Shanghai yesterday afternoon and berthed alongside the company's Hongkew Mail Wharf. The steamer will sail on her return voyage to Japan at 9.30 a.m. and passengers are requested to embark at least half an hour before sailing time.

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The ss. **President Taft** of the American President Lines arrived from Los Angeles, San Francisco and Honolulu, yesterday. She berthed at Buoys 11 and 12, and passengers disembarked by tender, arriving at the Customs Jetty at 4 p.m. She will sail for Hongkong and Manila tomorrow morning, the last tender leaving the Customs Jetty at 1 a.m. Visitors are not allowed aboard the steamer.

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The mv. **Cape Alava**, all-steel freighter of the American Mail Line, which arrived in port on Tuesday, will sail from Shanghai today, bound for Hongkong and Manila. The freighter, which is berthing alongside the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side, is one of the six new type vessels to be added to the American Mail Line fleet. Everett Steamship Corporation are the agents.

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The ss. **Tatuta Maru**, N.Y.K. liner operating on the Orient-California run, will enter port this morning at 8.30 a.m., having been delayed on her way here. She comes here from Manila and Hongkong, and will dock alongside the Toa Kaiun Kaisya's Wayside Wharf. The steamer will continue her voyage to Kobe and Yokohama this afternoon, sailing at 5.30 p.m. The Tatuta Maru brings a number of passengers, as well as a large quantity of cargo.

Vessels Sailing

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The undermentioned vessels are due to leave Shanghai on the dates indicated.

For Capetown		For Manila	
P Garfield	15/5	P Taft	10/5
P Monroe	29/5	Nitta M	13/5
For Karachi		D. Aniceta	15/5
Anyo M	24/5	P Garfield	15/5
For New York		Collingsworth	20/5
D. Aniceta	15/5	Kamakura M	27/5
P Garfield	15/5	P Monroe	29/5
Tosan M	16/5	West Cuseta	3/6
P Monroe	29/5	**For Hongkong**	
For Los Angeles		P Taft	10/5
Tatuta M	9/5	P Garfield	15/5
P Taft	21/5	Collingsworth	20/5
P Cleveland	31/5	P Monroe	29/5
For San Fco.		West Cuseta	3/6
Tatuta M	9/5	**For Kobe and Yokohama**	
P Taft	21/5	Tatuta M	9/5
P Cleveland	31/5	Taiyo M	12/5
For Seattle		**For Nagasaki**	
West Cuseta	21/5	Shanghai M	9/5
Collingsworth	3/6	Nagasaki M	11/5
		For Dairen	
		Dairen M	9/5
		Hoten M	11/5
		Tsingtao M	14/5

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Taiyo M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Taiyo M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Meitung	Hupukow	S.V.O.C.
Pres. Taft	Japan	A.P.L.
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Shanghai M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Hushan M.	Tientsin	T.K.K.
Taityu M.	Dairen	T.K.K.
Fuhsing	Habour	Tung Yih
Melbourne M.	Singapore	O.S.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Tokai M.	Jap.	O.S.K.
Needwood	Pana.	T.K.K.
Peian	Chi.	Kokusai
Havana M.	Jap.	O.S.K.
Santen M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Pres. Pierce	Am.	A.P.L.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
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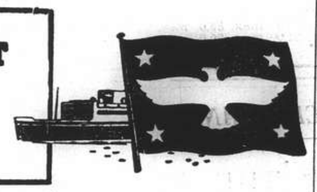

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ss. TSINGTAO MARU	May 12		May 14	at 9 a.m.
ss. TIENTSIN MARU	May 15		May 16	at 3 p.m.

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	At Cathedral	At Siccawei
Temperature, yesterday	min. 62.0 max. 82.0	min. 60.8 max. 83.8
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Pan American Airways Service per steamer on May 9, 5 p.m. registered and 6 p.m. ordinary due San Francisco on May 20. Air mails for Europe may be sent by this service to U.S.A. for connection with the P.A.A. Trans-Atlantic Air Service.

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SILVER WEDDING

LOVEY—SMALL.—On May 9, 1916, at Edinburgh, ALISON DICKSON SMALL to GEORGE SYDNEY DOVEY. 12564

DEATH

REYER.—On May 7, 1941, at Shanghai, ELIZABETH REYER, aged 66 years, the dearly-beloved mother of Mr. A. A. Reyer, Mr. V. A. Reyer, and Mr. E. A. Reyer. Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Saturday, May 10, 1941, at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road, at 3.30 p.m., to be followed by burial at the Hungjao Road Cemetery at 4.30 p.m.

TO-DAY'S EVENTS

MAY

9 War for Freedom, part 1, XCDN, 9.30
9 Chinese National Humiliation Day (Acceptance of Japanese 21 Demands, 1915)

COMING EVENTS

MAY

10 Cathedral School Sports, Keswick Road, 2
10 EAS Operatic Concert, Masonic Hall, 1525 Avenue Road, 9
11 K. A. Person b'cast over XMHA, 9.30
11 S'hai Municipal Orchestra Lyc, 5.15
11 X.M.H.C.—Radio Choir, hymns 9.45
11 B.L. Op. 'Ball in Savoy', Lyc., 8.45
11 Christian Science B'cast, XMHA, 6.30
12 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.15
13 XCDN Calling-2nd Ed. Lyceum 9.15
14 Harbin Y.M.C.A. High School Alumni Assn. Mtg. For. Y.M.C.A. 8.30
14 The Trumpeter XMHD, 8.30
14 XCDN Calling-2nd Ed. Lyceum 9.15
15 XCDN Calling-2nd Ed. Lyceum 9.15
15 X.M.H.C. British patriotic songs, 9
15 Royal Asiatic Society-Lecture on Criminal Procedure
16 War for Freedom, part 2, XCDN, 9.30
16 XCDN Calling-2nd Ed. Lyceum 9.15
17 XCDN Calling-2nd Ed. Lyceum 9.15
21 The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30
23 X.M.H.C.—Mrs. John McNeill, Scarlatti Recital, 9
23 War for Freedom, part 3, XCDN, 9.30
24 Empire Day, Limbless Fund
24 Empire Day Mounted Gymkhana, 3.30
24 Ann. Flower Show, S'hai. Race Cb.
25 Ann. Flower Show, S'hai. Race Cb.
25 Christian Science B'cast, XMHA, 6.30
26 The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30
28 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg S.I.B.C. 3
29 Royal Asiatic Society-Lecture on 'Chinese History'
29 Cathedral Boys' School Entertainment for War Funds, 5.30
29 X.M.H.C.—Robert Stuart-songs by Gilbert and Sullivan, 9
30 Cathedral Boys' School Entertainment for War Funds, 5.30

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-ninth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at Sassoon House, Shanghai, on Friday, May 16, 1941, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon for the following purposes:—

To receive and consider the Directors' Report and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended February 28, 1941.

To declare a Dividend.

To re-elect a Director and Auditors.

To transact any other ordinary business.

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Meteorological Reports	May 7 16.00	May 7 21.00	May 8 4.00	May 8 9.00
Barometer (inches)	29.92	29.94	29.85	29.85
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.10	+0.08	—0.05	—0.13
at 32 F. (" 12 hrs.)	+0.02	—0.04	—0.07	—0.09
Wind (direction)	ESE	ESE	SE	SE
" (miles per hour)	10.6	13.1	11.2	11.2
Temperature (Fahr.)	67.3°	63.9°	62.1°	66.9°
Humidity (per cent)	82	96	99	90
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report May 7	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.96	+9.11	29.89
Temperature: min. 59.0° max. 70.3°	64.7°	+2.8°	63.7°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	13.63	0.02	12.01

Time and Tide	9/5	10/5	11/5	12/5	13/5	14/5	15/5
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.03	5.02	5.02	5.02	5.01	5.01	5.00
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.38	18.39	18.39	18.40	18.40	18.41	18.42
Moon rises at Shanghai	16.28	17.37	18.45	19.53	20.57	21.55	22.47
Moon sets at Shanghai	3.30	4.15	5.03	5.55	6.51	7.49	8.49
Flood makes Shal. (day)	8.53	9.39	10.22	11.05	12.09	12.38	13.19
Ebb makes Shal. (day)	13.55	14.45	15.25	16.03	16.37	17.15	18.05
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	10.35	11.23	12.01	12.36	13.20	13.59	14.52
Ht. above L.W. (feet)	9.20	9.65	11.05	11.42	11.50	11.15	10.40

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 7th:—Normal and unsteady pressure over China: rising over Japan. South-easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine weather in north China. Cloudy with mist in our Valley.

State on the morning of the 8th:—Overcast and misty weather. East-south-easterly breezes. Pressure rather low and steady.—Siccawei Observatory.

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(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head-Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

FRIDAY, May 9. Reg. Ord.

	Reg.	Ord.
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Aust. N.Z. S.S. Ceylon India and Suez (via Colombo)	8.30	10.00
Japan (via Kobe) Honolulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	12.30	14.30
Australia New Zealand and Manila	17.00	18.00
Hongkong and Canton	17.30	18.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00

SATURDAY, May 10.

Amoy Fukien Province Hongkong Australia New Zealand and Java Portsax	*20.00	8.00
Hongkong and Canton	*20.00	8.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Amoy Swatow and Canton	14.30	15.00
Nantung	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00
Tsingtao and Dairen	20.00	20.00
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	20.00	20.00

SUNDAY, May 11.

Amoy Swatow and Canton	*20.00	9.15
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00

*The night before.

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